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Smail concludes visit to Moscow without any new Soviet promises

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Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Jafar Ismail, President Sadat's adviser on national security, returned to Cairo yesterday after a five-day visit to Moscow. A communiqué issued after the visit did not contain any new Soviet promises for Egypt.

At the visit, Ismail was the second high-ranking Egyptian since President Sadat expelled the Russian military personnel from his country last summer, and it indicated the Egyptian side had not ended their dialogue.

The communiqué included a pledge to continue political and military support for Egypt within the framework of the "treaty of friendship and cooperation" between the two countries in May. This same promise had been made after Premier Adis Sadek's visit to the Soviet capital last October.

In the context of the Middle East crisis, yesterday's communiqué said that the Soviet Union and Egypt will launch "an active struggle for the sake of peace in the Middle East." It added that the Soviet Union supports the Arab side in using various means for the restoration of their territory and rights.

Last night's statement went on to say that Moscow would also facilitate a strengthening of Egypt's military potential in accordance with the friendship treaty. But this seemed to fall considerably short of any Soviet pledge to give Egypt arms to launch a new offensive against Israel.

There was no reference in the statement to the reinstatement of 15,000 Soviet advisers and specialists whose work was summarily terminated last July by President Sadat. Nor was there any specific promise in the statement to agree to a summit with Sadat, although

it said the Soviet side supported the principle of the practice of leaders meeting to exchange views.

The statement also said that the "Egyptian side declared its insistent adherence to the necessity of reaching a complete settlement of the Middle East crisis, and its rejection of any settlement plans on the basis of what is called a 'partial solution.' The Soviet side showed complete understanding of this stand," it said.

Eban: Ready for compromise through talks

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Foreign Minister Abba Eban on Friday said King Hussein's visit to Washington will have been beneficial if it brought the Jordanian monarch to realize that a solution to the Arab-Israeli conflict depends on the Middle East countries and not on outsiders. Mr. Eban found no change in U.S. policy towards Israel.

The Foreign Minister also called on the Israeli public to be more aware of the challenge involved in a closer association with the Common Market. He was speaking at the Commercial and Industrial Club's weekly luncheon at the Z.O.A. House.

He said Israel never decided a partial settlement with Egypt must precede negotiations with Jordan. Israel's slogan was "first come, first served in the gateway of negotiations." Jordan was placing obstacles in the way by its demand that Israel make a prior commitment to accept its ultimatum on borders. Indeed all Arab governments demanded a return to the old armistice lines as a prior commitment to negotiations.

Israel was more than willing for a territorial compromise but only through negotiations, and contractual peace can only be the outcome of negotiations, Mr. Eban said.

In the past three years all armed conflicts in Europe and Asia had ended in negotiations. This had been the case with the U.S. and China, the two Germanys, the two Koreas and even India and Pakistan. The Foreign Minister regretted that no such breakthrough was apparent with the Arabs.

Turning to evolving Israel-Common Market relations, Mr. Eban feared Israelis were not sufficiently alert to the challenge of a link with what was becoming one of the main trading areas in the world. The protocol signed in Brussels indicated E.C. intentions to strengthen its links with Israel and contains a commitment by the Council of Ministers of nine countries for a link-up with Israel as part of a Mediterranean trade area before the end of 1973.

In another high-level Israeli reaction to King Hussein's talks in Washington, Minister without Portfolio Israel Galili said in a television interview Friday night that only after Premier Golda Meir's return from Washington next month "will we know whether any new data were brought to bear in Hussein's meeting with the Americans that would help advance the situation."

Mr. Galili said he understood that the Americans had not desisted over the Egyptians' negative response to Israel's announcement last year that she was willing to enter "proximity talks." The U.S. still regards negotiations for the reopening of the Suez Canal as the most realistic approach towards a settlement, the Minister said.

Cairo students demand release of 100 detainees

RO (UPI). — Students at Cairo university roamed the campus yesterday shouting anti-government slogans and demanding release of about 100 students arrested in recent weeks.

The demonstrations, in which about 3,000 students took part, were continuation of small-scale agitation that has continued through the week since the university reopened last Saturday. They were in defiance of President Anwar Sadat's demand for an end to the agitation.

University sources said eight students were expelled during the week and an undisclosed number arrested. These arrests came on top of the arrest of about 120 students

and other persons at the turn of the year.

(On January 3, demonstrators at Cairo University surged into the streets and clashed with police. President Sadat's government reacted by closing the universities for a month.)

As during the rest of the week, the demonstrators yesterday stayed strictly within the campus. Groups numbering up to about 200 roamed from college to college shouting and chanting, university sources said.

At Ain Shams University, across the city in the northern suburbs, the situation was reported calm. But classes remained disrupted at the engineering faculty, where some students were reported to have staged a sit-in early in the week.

Hussein 'made no move' toward separate talks

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

Jordan's Foreign Minister Sabah Jaid on Friday reassured that King Hussein made no gesture towards a separate settlement with Israel.

In an interview sent by satellite in Washington to Amman, Jaid said that Jordan would not direct negotiations with Israel would it agree to partial solutions to the Middle East crisis. Jaid said that King Hussein would report on his talks with U.S. leadership to Egyptian, Syrian leaders, adding that he had no secret negotiations in Washington "to hide or be misled of."

Abu Jaid's interview on Amman TV was preceded by another with Senator William Fulbright, who praised King Hussein as a "gallant and courageous" leader.

Commenting on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee's meeting with the Jordanian monarch, Fulbright said that Jordan had provided to be a "mature" politician who contributed to stability and balance in Middle East politics.

Senator Fulbright said that he expected President Nixon to make future moves towards a settlement of the Israel-Arab conflict, which, he said, has become America's Number One issue with the end of the Vietnam war.

Gas blast traps 43

NEW YORK (UPI). — An empty natural gas storage tank exploded into flames yesterday, trapping 43 workers inside. Authorities there was little hope they could survive.

The explosion collapsed the roof of the 108-foot high tank, owned by Eastern Transmission Inc., sending fires throughout the inside of the structure.

Eban to visit Gabon in June

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Reporter

Foreign Minister Abba Eban has accepted an invitation by Gabon's Foreign Minister Georges Rawiri to visit Gabon during his forthcoming tour of African countries, which is now scheduled for June. Mr. Rawiri extended the invitation prior to his departure on Thursday.

Hanoi to free 142 Americans tomorrow

SAIGON (AP). — North Vietnam and the Vietcong handed the U.S. the names of approximately 142 American prisoners of war who will be released in North and South Vietnam tomorrow. U.S. officials said nine civilians are among them.

Word was flashed back from the American Military Headquarters at Saigon's Tan Son Nhut Air Base to the U.S. Defense Department in Washington which began sending out the happy news to P.O.W. families across the United States who have waited in anguish so long.

In Hanoi, another historic event was under way. U.S. Presidential Adviser Dr. Henry A. Kissinger opened four days of talks with North Vietnamese leaders on post-war relations, U.S. reconstruction aid, and a lasting peace for all of Indochina.

Kissinger was met at Hanoi's Gia Lam Airport by Le Duc Tho, the North Vietnamese negotiator with whom he reached the Vietnam peace agreement. He became the first visiting U.S. official to set foot in Hanoi, on what he termed a visit "of goodwill and reconciliation."

U.S. officials said the prisoner list contained the names of about 115 airmen who will be set free in Hanoi tomorrow, while Kissinger is still in the North Vietnamese capital.

It also listed 18 American servicemen and nine civilians to be freed the same day in the Quan Loi rubber plantation near An Loc, 96 kilometers north of Saigon and 16 kilometers from the Cambodian border.

FIGHTING CONTINUES

Despite the scheduled prisoner release, war was still exploding in the rubber plantation country around An Loc, in South Vietnam. Two helicopters bearing the orange-striped markings of the International Commission for Control and Supervision set down yesterday morning on the Quan Loi air strip, apparently to inspect the prisoner release site.

Just before Dr. Kissinger's arrival, North Vietnam accused the U.S. yesterday of violating cease-fire provisions dealing with Laos and Cambodia and demanded that the U.S. "end all of their acts of intervention and aggression against these two countries."

A Hanoi radio broadcast said the U.S. still wants a military victory in Laos and Cambodia and is continuing its intervention to maintain "U.S. neo-colonialism."

The commentary said the United States must bear "full responsibility" for violating Article 2 of the cease-fire agreement, which says in part that "the internal affairs of Cambodia and Laos shall be settled by the people of each of these countries without foreign interference."

6-HOUR MEETING

The senior representatives of the four-party Joint Military Commission — which includes the United States, North and South Vietnam, and the Viet Cong — met for a record six hours at the commission headquarters at Tan Son Nhut to finalize plans for the American prisoner release.

Officials said an exchange of Vietnamese prisoners was still being worked out, but that a general plan called for the release of 8,000 or one-fourth the total number held between tomorrow and next Friday.

In Paris delegates from South Vietnam and the Vietcong met yesterday for the third time to work out procedural details so that political consultations between the two parties can open in Saigon.

Dinh Ba Thi, deputy chief of the Vietcong delegation to the Paris peace talks, referred to dispatches from Saigon and said, "at the present the delegations of the Armed Forces of Liberation of South Vietnam and of North Vietnam in the Mixed Commission are being treated in a shameful way. We demand that the Saigon administration bring an end to these acts which threaten the application of the agreement of Paris and the attached protocols."

U.S. officials said that all of the American prisoners being set free in South Vietnam are from one jungled bamboo camp near An Loc, possibly on the other side of the border inside Cambodia.

The Paris peace agreement specifies that "persons who are seriously ill, wounded or maimed, old persons and women shall be returned first."



Finance Ministers from West Germany, France and Great Britain, Helmut Schmidt, Valéry Giscard d'Estaing and Anthony Barbour, left to right, are pictured after their meeting in Paris on the international monetary crisis.

Sterling devaluation rumoured

European Bankers meet on dollar crisis

BONN (AP). — After the worst week of the dollar crisis, West German and British leaders urgently consulted their financial aides yesterday behind a screen of silence as European Central Bankers met in Switzerland.

In Germany, main battleground in a struggle affecting the dollar's future role in the world, Finance Minister Helmut Schmidt called in U.S. Ambassador Martin J. Hillenbrand for three hours of talks.

The meeting came after Schmidt returned from a British-French-German crisis meeting Friday night in Paris. Two weeks of dollar dumping by speculators, totalling some \$10,000m. worldwide, prompted the Paris meeting and the others yesterday.

A French radio station claimed last night agreement had been reached to devalue the floating dollar pound to a new, fixed parity.

The commercial station "Europe Number One" gave no source for the information. It said the decision had been reached at Friday night's meeting of the British, French and West German finance ministers in Paris, but gave no indication what other decision may have been reached, except to say France had agreed to take part in "a real European policy" on the monetary crisis.

It said the Central Bankers meeting currently in Basel would discuss technical details of the redefining of the pound at a new parity, with the announcement coming today or tomorrow.

British officials declined comment yesterday on the French radio report. "Devalued from what? It's been floating since last June," one informant said.

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JOINT FLOAT

Other sources, however, said the speculation might indicate that the British, French and West German Finance Ministers agreed at their meeting in Paris Friday night on a joint currency float of all Common Market currencies.

In order to join in such a Common Market float, these informants reasoned, the pound would first have to be repegged at a fixed rate in order then to be launched again in a joint float with other Common Market currencies. This complicated procedure would be necessary because of the special rules governing relations between Common Market members.

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These men, who manage the world's money supply, were expected to discuss results of the crisis talks in Bonn, London and Paris.

If their leaders back home had made any monetary decisions, the bankers could be expected to discuss ways of carrying them out.

After Brandt telephoned President Nixon, Heath, and French President Georges Pompidou Friday to seek a dollar solution, Nixon ordered a top aide to fly to Europe tomorrow for more crisis talks.

The aide, former U.S. Secretary of Commerce Peter G. Peterson, was expected in Bonn Wednesday.

With European money markets normally due to open tomorrow, a decision was expected over the weekend whether to close them.

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Pakistan finds arms in Iraq Embassy

ISLAMABAD. — Pakistani police yesterday discovered a huge cache of Soviet-made arms in the Iraqi Embassy here. The weapons were packed in diplomatic bags and crates and bore markings of the Iraqi Foreign Ministry.

Pakistan said last night that it had ordered the expulsion of the Iraqi Ambassador and one of his aides, and was recalling its Ambassador from Baghdad. It also had lodged a strong protest with the Iraqi government against the "gun-running."

A second shipment of arms destined for the Iraqi Embassy was intercepted last night.

The tally of arms and other equipment recovered at the Embassy included 300 sub-machineguns, probably Kalashnikovs, 60,000 rounds of ammunition, 40 Soviet-made incendiary grenades, guerrilla warfare training equipment and a long-range radio receiver and transmitter.

The day-long drama began when Iraqi Ambassador Hikmat Suleman was summoned to the Foreign Office and told that the Pakistani Government had information that crates of arms were being brought into the country by way of the Iraqi Embassy.

The official statement said that the Pakistani government had satisfied itself of the magnitude of the traffic and that the arms were being stored in the Iraqi Chancery prior to distribution to subversive elements. Some had actually been distributed, the statement said.

ENVOY PRESENT

The Ambassador was asked for his consent to permit an inspection of the Embassy. The statement quoted the Ambassador as saying the crates contained books, and that in any case he could not give his consent without seeking the permission of his Government.

Pakistan Foreign Secretary Mumtaz Ali told the Ambassador that in the overriding interests of state security, action could not be delayed. A police squad of about 40 men with rifles then raided the Embassy. Accompanied by a posse of local reporters and foreign correspondents summoned earlier by the government, police broke into the locked office of the Iraqi consular attaché.

Inside the office, three crates in canvas bags marked "Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Baghdad, Iraq" were wrenched open to reveal a haul of about 30 sub-machineguns. Dozens of similar crates were discovered in an adjoining closet and a bathroom. Some contained ammunition.

The Ambassador, who was present as the crates were forced open, told reporters: "I don't know about this at all."

The official statement said the Pakistani Government is shocked at the existence of this veritable arsenal and surprised that the government of a Moslem country with whose people Pakistan has always had fraternal relations should have become a party in a conspiracy with elements within and outside the country which seek to subvert the security and tranquillity of Pakistan.

Three more crates in bags identical to those found earlier at the Embassy were seized by police on arrival at Islamabad Airport last night.

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Fair to partly cloudy, and dry.

Weather synopsis: A ridge over the east Mediterranean is causing a northerly flow of dry air over our region.

Yesterday's weather: Humidity Min.-Max. forecast

Jerusalem	33	7-14	9-15
Golan	44	9-18	4-14
Nahariya	35	7-15	6-20
Safed	47	9-22	7-14
Tiberias	44	9-22	8-22
Nazareth	40	7-27	7-29
Afula	35	8-26	8-29
Shimon	32	8-26	10-29
Tel Aviv	54	8-28	8-30
Lod	43	8-30	7-22
Jericho	30	8-30	8-20
Gaza	66	8-30	8-20
Beer-sheva	27	4-29	6-21
Beit	34	8-29	10-23
Tiran	33	14-23	15-31

Social and Personal

Jean Emmanuel Quadrajo, president of the "Trades Union Federation" in Upper Volta, on Friday called on the Secretary-General of the Histadrut, Yitzhak Ben-Aharon, and visited the Afro-Asian Institute of the Histadrut in Tel Aviv.

The State of Israel Bonds Louisville Bankers Delegation on Friday morning met with Moshe Sambar, Governor of the Bank of Israel, at his office in Tel Aviv.

A documentary exhibition on Martin Buber, to mark the 95th anniversary of his birth, was opened yesterday at the Wilfrid Israel House in Kibbutz Hazorea. It will remain on show until March 24.

Leonard Sherman of Chicago visited Technion City on Friday in connection with the forthcoming construction of the Leonard and Diane Sherman Environmental Engineering Centre.

BIRTH
FRANKEL — To Uri and Zehava a first son, grandson to Walter and Lotte Frankel and Shimon and Towah Kleinman, great-grandson of Jeruhm Bernstein, on February 6, 1973.

EXPRESSION OF THANKS
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ARRIVALS

Manny Klausner, Chairman of the Mizrachi Federation of Great Britain and Ireland.

Jacques Tortzner, chairman of the World Zionist Organization's Administrative Board, Rabbi Joseph Sternstein, Jack Lefkowitz, Joseph Spector, Samuel Wiger, and Arnold Olsburg, all of the Zionist Organization of America, for meetings of the Zionist General Council.

DEPARTURES

Transport Minister Shimon Peres, for a week's UJA speaking tour of Canada.

Professor Ya'akov Ne'eman, of the Tel-Aviv Herzog Faculty of Law at Bar-Ilan University, for Amsterdam, to attend the meeting of the permanent scientific committee of the International Fiscal Association.

Sunny skies worry farmers

ACRE — Yesterday's sunny skies and mild temperatures brought out thousands of hikers and picnickers throughout Galilee, but caused only disappointment to the farmers of the region, anxiously waiting for more rain.

Farmers in the north have been doubly hit this winter by frost and a partial drought. So far some 300 mm of rain have fallen in Western Galilee, about half the average winter's rainfall — and the winter is drawing to an end. (Itim)

BUS DRIVER FINE QUINTUPLED

HAIFA — An Egged bus driver who insulted a passenger who asked him to stop talking while driving had his fine quintupled — to IL500 — by the District Court here sitting as a Court of Appeals on Friday.

The driver, Aharon Prova of Lydda, had originally been fined IL100, for talking to a passenger while driving, smoking, playing the radio and for insulting behaviour. The complaint was brought by David Sivan of the Council for the Prevention of Noise and Air Pollution (Malraz).

Prova had been driving from Safad to Tel Aviv in September 1971 when the incident occurred. Haifa Assistant District Attorney Z. Taglicht appealed the original Haifa Traffic Court fine of IL100, saying

Haifa court to hear pleas of six spy suspects today

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA — The police and court authorities have completed security and technical arrangements for the official opening this morning of the trial of the six alleged leaders of the Arab-Jewish espionage and sabotage ring.

The suspects will be brought to court in the morning for the reading of the 24-page indictment and hearing of the pleas. It is expected that the session will continue until the afternoon and the start of the actual trial has been fixed for February 25.

The bench is composed of Judges E. Sionim (president), Mrs. L. Fortuna and A. Friedman.

The six accused appeared in court on January 25, when the charges were filed and their remand periods were extended.

ANOTHER 24

During this week the indictments of the remaining 24 alleged members of the ring are to be filed and the suspects are to be brought to the court for the extension of their remand orders until their trial. They will be brought in groups, graded according to the seriousness of the charges against them, with the first nine to appear in court on Tuesday.

The six alleged leaders of the ring who will be in court today are: Daoud Turki, 45, who is represented by Y. Hagler; Ehud Adiv, 26, represented by S. Toussia-Cohen; Subhi Naarani, 28, represented by Ali Rafa; Dan Vared, 28, represented by R. Caspi; Anis Kahawaji, 23, represented by H. Shahade; and Simon Hadad, 34, represented by Y. Inbar. District Attorney Y. Grably and his deputy, Avigdor Ravid, will represent the prosecution.

Entry to courtroom No. 1, in which the hearing will be held, has been restricted to holders of special passes. These have been issued to one relative of each of the accused, and one reporter from each Israeli newspaper, as well as to a number of foreign correspondents. The restrictions were made due to lack of space in the hall.

The proceedings will be relayed by closed-circuit TV to a hall in a building opposite the court house (in the former Hadar Hacharmel police station), where more newsmen and relatives of the accused will be admitted, also with special passes. Red passes provide admission to the court and blue ones to the TV hall. The trial will be filmed also by three Israeli TV crews, on behalf of European, American and Israeli TV.

Israeli TV, Israel Broadcasting has made arrangements for the recording of the proceedings.

In another development concerning the espionage groups uncovered in the Golan, security forces Thursday night detained another suspect, at Sukata, near Majdal Shams. This brings to 30 the total number of suspects arrested in connection with the three spy rings.



Ehud Adiv, left, handcuffed to Subhi Naarani, as they were led to court on January 25. (I.P.P.A.)

Woman, 90, burned to death

HAIFA — A 90-year-old Haifa woman, Haya Pudik was burned to death and her three roommates seriously injured in a kerosene-heater fire early on Friday at a Tivon old people's home.

The three other women, Bertha Weissman, 53, Matilda Alkobi, 64, and Sanyora Markus, 90, were taken with second-degree burns to Haifa's Rambam Hospital, which last night reported Mrs. Markus in serious condition.

According to the police, the fire started shortly after 5.30 a.m., when Meir Yankowitz, one of the owners of the Kalanit home for the aged, lit the kerosene heater in the four women's room at 5.30 a.m. Yankowitz found the room in flames when he went by on his rounds 15 minutes later and ran in to extricate the women. Mrs. Pudik, whose bed was on fire, was already dead, but the other three women were pulled out alive and sent to Rambam hospital and the flames put out.

Police learned of the fire from the hospital, and when they arrived at the home found Mrs. Pudik's body there. They said yesterday they believed the heater may have been placed too near the beds and are looking into the possibility of bringing negligence charges.

The Kalanit Home, which houses 35 aged men and women, belongs to the Frachter and Yankowitz families of Tivon. (Itim)

Go-slow holds up matzot for Russia

TEL AVIV — Hundreds of packages of matzot sent to Jewish families in Russia are among thousands of other parcels piling up in the Tel Aviv post office because of a local labour dispute.

The trouble started when the post office workers decided to support some 200 customs employees in Tel Aviv and Jaffa, who are "working slow" in their demand for compensation for extra effort put in due to a shortage of manpower.

Until Friday, the authorities had been bypassing Tel Aviv by forwarding overseas-bound parcels directly to Lod Airport, where there is no work slowdown at present.

But this was countered here on Friday when the post office workers refused to ship the parcels to Lod. As a result, thousands of overseas parcels, including matzot and clothing earmarked for Russian Jews, are piling up here.

It is learned that some 50,000 to 60,000 parcels of matzot were planned to be sent to the Soviet Union by Pussover, which fails this year on April 17. Post Office officials say it is now doubtful whether they will arrive in time. (Itim)

Kedma squatters to be evicted

ASHKELON — The Magistrate's Court here last week issued an eviction order against 12 families from Kiryat Malachi who are squatting in buildings at Kedma, an abandoned kibbutz off the Kastina-Beer-sheva highway.

Execution of the order was postponed until this morning because of the Sabbath. A Jewish Agency representative told the judge the families had moved in without permission.

It is learned that no eviction order has been requested as yet against another group living at Kedma for some time. They are a religious group calling themselves "The Family of Israel," who have been rehabilitating drug addicts and young delinquents who have been unable to receive proper treatment by the official welfare and health agencies. The legality of their stay at Kedma is due to be challenged in court by the State Lands Authority. (Itim)

Two die of road injuries

A truck driver and a pedestrian injured in road accidents last week died of their wounds in hospital over the weekend.

Aharon Carmel, 46, of Neve She'an in Haifa, died in the Nahariya Government Hospital of injuries he sustained when his truck overturned on the Ma'alot-Haifa road near Milya on Thursday night. Carmel had hit rocks on the side of the road, after apparently losing control of the vehicle while on his nightly egg-collecting run. He had to be cut out of the smashed cab. The police said the road was covered with thousands of smashed eggs.

Na'omi Ma'uda, 27, of Gan Yavne died yesterday of injuries she suffered on Wednesday when a truck hit her as she was crossing the Massmya-Gedera road. She had been in Rehovot's Kaplan Hospital since the accident. (Itim)

Independent ecology body here urged

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV — The establishment of an independent body to deal with all problems of ecology in Israel was proposed by advocate Yedidia Be'eri, of Tel Aviv, in addressing the "Law and Technique Committee" of the International Union of Advocates.

The committee which met here on Friday and is to meet again tomorrow, was represented by 12 persons from six European countries, Spain Italy, Switzerland, West Germany, Sweden and Belgium.

This is the first time the committee has met in Israel, and it was convened specifically to hear reports on "Ecology problems in a developing country."

In asking for one independent body, Mr. Be'eri noted that a present seven government departments dealt directly, and seven indirectly, with ecology problems, and that

there were several public bodies also active in the field. The "new body" should be independent, he argued, since it faced problems which often came in conflict with the government.

He further advocated drawing up one unified law, noting that at present the laws used were scattered throughout the legal code. And finally, he suggested that international standards of pollution be drawn up, thus obviating the need for each country to establish its own.

The committee heard two other reports, one by Yosef Tamir, head of the Knesset Ecology Committee, and the other by Dr. Gerold Adler of the Technion.

After hearing two other reports, the committee members noted that "Israel was making the same mistakes as had developed countries, instead of learning from them."

'Why go abroad for planning Israel industrial equipment?'

By YAAQOV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA — The general manager of the Haifa Refineries, Avigdor Bartel, has appealed to industry to have its equipment planned and manufactured in Israel rather than abroad.

In an address at the Engineers and Architects Forum on Friday on the role of industry in encouraging the making of local equipment, he said that "valued any product can and should be made here." Those in favour of such self-reliance had to demonstrate that it was profitable to do so, he added.

Local manufacture strengthened self-assurance and the export capability of suppliers, as it heightened the sense of responsibility, the professional and intellectual honesty of the planners. He had been impressed by these qualities in immigrant engineers who had asked him, "Why do you go abroad for planning certain projects?"

There were persuasive reasons for preferring local equipment planning and production, Mr. Bartel thought. A working hour of a planning engineer cost \$25 in the U.S., two-thirds of that in Europe and IL30 here.

It was difficult to estimate the total scope of projects ordered abroad, but it was probably considerable and much more could be undertaken here. The investment in industrial equipment here was IL550m. in 1969, IL600m. in 1970, IL850m. in 1971, and was rising all the time. About 95 per cent of the work of installing plants was done by local engineers. "But the planning and designing of equipment means for those engaged in it a gain in experience and skills that is lost to us if it is done abroad," he declared.

Maintenance too spoke in favour of local equipment, and spare parts were easier to procure. While local textile equipment could not match foreign design and makes, the case was different in, for instance, the chemical industry which was tailor-made to individual needs. In heavy industry, planning accounted for seven to 15 per cent of the total investment.

"We have made this exercise during 14 years with good results at the Refineries. In that period we have modernized at an investment of over IL80m., the original American-designed plant. Foreign experts have advised us to strive for technical independence, and most of the planning and design were done here. As a result the local production of equipment has made steady progress. The Petrochemical Industries plant, also foreign-designed when it started, has since gone Israeli."

The IL220m. Refineries at Ashdod, today probably the largest industrial enterprise in creation, had called for a foreign exchange outlay of less than 40 per cent, compared with 70 per cent in the past.

Pupils boycott schools in Rosh Ha'ayin

ROSH HA'AYIN — Thousands of pupils boycotted classes at all schools here on Friday to back the five-day-old parents' strike against the local comprehensive religious school. The school's parents' committee, who are fighting for improvements to the school building, said they would be in Jerusalem today for a hunger strike at the Western Wall.

The committee says that some 200 of the religious school's 700 pupils are being taught in sheds, shelters and other temporary classrooms. They are demanding that the Education Ministry start work on the 16-classroom second stage plan, and provide a canteen, gymnasium, laboratories and workrooms. (Itim)

Academics warn they'll strike

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV — The Union of Humanities and Social Science Graduates have threatened to call their 30,000 members out on strike on February 26 — the day on which the country's engineers have called a strike as well.

This move followed the reported refusal of the Civil Service Commission, Ya'akov Nitani, to negotiate with the academics, as long as the engineers' wage scale claims are not settled. (The Histadrut and the Civil Servants' Union last month made it clear that they would tear up their own wage agreements and insist on new negotiations along any lines achieved by the engineers.)

The Histadrut Central Committee will discuss the situation at its weekly meeting today, even though Deputy Secretary-General Yeruhm Meshel, who is arbitrating the engineers' dispute, is away in Brussels attending an international trade union meeting.

Prisoners strike at Kfar Yona jail

NABLUS — Security prisoners at the Kfar Yona jail near Netanya refused over the weekend to receive members of their families.

Word reaching here says the prisoners, mostly Nabulus men, are again on strike within the walls and that Nabulus Mayor el-Masri is to meet with his city's military governor over the issue. Three women relatives who remained at the prison gate despite their men's refusal to see them were reportedly arrested but later released on bond. (Itim)

Pick citrus and beat the income tax — legally

Civil servants are being encouraged to take their fortnight vacation this winter picking citrus fruit.

In an effort to overcome the acute shortage of pickers, the Employment Service has initiated an amendment to the income tax law whereby civil servants who work as pickers will have only 25 per cent tax deducted at the source. They do not have to declare the rest of their earnings in their annual returns.

This arrangement applies only to government workers who are employed to work in the groves through the labour exchange industry.

Why go abroad for planning Israel industrial equipment?

He paid tribute to the quality of local design, "all carried out in Haifa," probably the first refinery anywhere carried out without reliance on foreign skills.

He had found the skills available here of a generally high order. The defence industry had promoted planning and production of equipment, and taught Israelis precision in manufacture. But in management organization, in particular adherence to timetables, there was still scope for improvements.

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Our beloved
YOSEF GREIVER
is no more.
The funeral will leave the family home at 8 Rehov Spinoza in Tel Aviv, today, Sunday, February 11, 1973 at 1 p.m.
THE FAMILY

In deep sorrow we announce the death of our beloved mother and grandmother
DEBORAH ENGELMAN
The funeral will leave at 3 p.m. today, Sunday, February 11, from 35 Rehov Har Dafna in Savyon for the Savyon cemetery.
Daughter Yemmy Strum
Son Asheri Engelman
and grandchildren

With deep sorrow I announce the death of my beloved husband
ERNST JARACZEWSKY
who passed away after a long illness.
The funeral will leave from Elisha Hospital at 10 a.m. today, Sunday, February 11 for the new cemetery at Kayat Beach. Taxis will be available.
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AENNE JARACZEWSKY
78 Rehov Vitkin, Haifa

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Sister: HELEN FEINSTEIN (Ramat Hasharon)
and the FAMILY in Israel and abroad.

With deep sorrow we announce the death of our dear wife and mother
ERNA BAROTH (née GASSMANN)
The funeral will leave at 1 p.m. today, Sunday, February 11 from the funeral parlour at the Elisha Hospital on Mount Carmel (entrance from Rehov Hulda opposite Henrietta Szold) for the new cemetery at Kfar Samir, Haifa. Transport will be available from the hospital and will pass the home of the deceased at 4 Rehov Caspi, Bat-Galim, at 1.15 p.m.

Caradon: 242's essence is withdrawal to secure, recognized boundaries

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Lord Caradon, the man regarded as the main author of the November 1967 Security Council resolution 242 on the Middle East, said yesterday its essential phrase was "withdrawal to secure and recognized boundaries."

Speaking in an interview with Israel Radio, the former British Ambassador to the U.N. said this phrase was often not sufficiently recognized. "But," he added, "for borders to be secure, they have to be recognized, that's why one has to reach agreement between the parties. This is the central point."

He said the resolution had been phrased most carefully in English, which was the text that counted. He thought it would have been wrong for the Security Council to draw a map. "The experience since that resolution was adopted only justified what we did."

Lord Caradon said he expected the parties to be ready to discuss any subject in peace negotiations and come to such talks without any

preconditions. This is also the position of the Israel Government, he said.

The best way, he held, would be to have an internationally authorized conference, although he realized that Israel did not accept this idea and would like to have a conference of the parties alone, where each side could determine what should be discussed. But since the Arabs do not want peace negotiations at all, both sides could meet at an internationally sponsored conference, he believed.

"The main thing was to get started somehow. One has waited too long. People look for an initiative; there is a desire to move now, one can hear it everywhere, both with my Arab and Israeli friends," Lord Caradon said.

He thought that King Hussein's article in "The Times" of London last week was the "clearest, most honest, and most positive statement on the Middle East situation that could have been expected."

At a meeting on Friday with Netanyahu Mayor Oved Ben-Ami, an old-time friend from the British Mandate period when Lord Caradon was still Hugh Foot and served as the Nabulus District Commissioner, the visitor opposed the idea of a separate Palestinian state in the West Bank. He saw no need for another state in the region, stating that the solution for the Palestinian Arabs should be found within the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan.

Lord Caradon toured Netanyahu with Mr. Ben-Ami and expressed surprise at how the town had grown since he last saw it at the end of the Mandate 25 years ago, when it had just over 5,000 inhabitants (70,000 today).

Lord Caradon, accompanied by the British Ambassador and Mrs. Bernard Ledwidge, was later Mr. Ben-Ami's luncheon guest. Yesterday, Lord Caradon toured several villages in the West Bank and was the luncheon guest of Nabulus Mayor Ma'azouz al-Masri.



New European trade union group ready to admit others

JACK MAURICE
Staff Post Correspondent

S. — Vie Feather, Secretary of the British Trades Union Congress, who has been elected first president of the new European Trade Union Congress, held the door open to admission of other union bodies, in a speech here on Friday.

The labour leader told the first congress: "Now real step forward lead to as well as wider unity."

The T.U.C., which groups workers from 14 countries to establish a special relationship with the Histadrut, this would probably be an observer status.

He said the Histadrut was the only body which had been granted sympathetic status by the European Congress, which was held in Brussels last week.

The same evening he will attend the launching of "Belgian Friends of Israel," a new body dedicated to strengthening trade union ties between the two countries.

Mr. Feather said: "There are outsiders outside our ranks who want to join us. When there is a spirit among these people of membership with us, it is not just a matter of association."

But the general feeling among delegates to the Brussels session was that feelings which have been put out by European Communist unions, including those of the Soviet Union, and Catholic workers' bodies, should be pigeonholed for the time being.

The Histadrut's approaches have been confined to cautious requests for observer status. These have been greeted sympathetically by British Trade Union Congress, West Germany's Deutsche Gewerkschaftsbund and Belgium's Federation Generale du Travail.

The new European Trade Union Confederation includes labour bodies from all the nine Common Market countries — except Ireland, which is allied to the British T.U.C. — as well as Norway, Sweden, Finland, Iceland, Switzerland, Austria and the dissident underground Spanish Union General de Trabajadores en Espana.

which is based in Toulouse, France. All these bodies are affiliated to the Brussels-based International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, which excludes Communist and Christian unions.

The congress appointed three vice-presidents to work beside Mr. Feather: West Germany's Heinz Vetter, Denmark's Thomas Nielsen and Belgium's Georges Debuene.

Mr. Feather, whose T.U.C. is still hostile to British membership of the Common Market, said in his speech: "The new Europe presents us with greater problems, but also with greater opportunities to make the voice of trade unionism heard and its problems understood."

Mr. Feather said the new E.T.U.C. would not overlook the needs of the developing countries. He said the unionism of the spirit of trade unionism is not confined to hours, wages and conditions. It is important that there should be overwhelming idealism.

Mr. Kjell-Olof Feldt, Sweden's Commerce Minister, said: "I hope this confederation will be able to mobilize the wage-earners of Western Europe to act together in solidarity to solve the problems we cannot solve within national boundaries."

Mart delegation here on Thursday

Jerusalem Post Correspondent
BRUSSELS. — The top-level 30-man Common Market delegation which will pave the way for decisive negotiations this year between Israel and the Nine on their future trade links, is to visit Israel on Thursday.

The mission, which will be headed by Helmut Sigrist, director-general of the Market's External Affairs Department, will discuss the project for a Mediterranean free trade area which the Nine has promised to bring into force in 1974.

The Common Market visitors are members of the joint commission which Israel and the Market set up to implement their current five-year preferential trade pact.

This is the first time that the commission, which confers once a year, has met in Israel. Last year France rejected an Israeli invitation for the commission to assemble in Jerusalem.

Abraham Agmon, director-general of the Finance Ministry, will be host to the European visitors who will include Josephus Looef, Common Market director for the Mediterranean, and deputy chief of Division Jean Petit-Laurent.

Israel's Ambassador to the Market, Moshe Alon, and the deputy chief of mission in Brussels, Yacov Cohen, will also take part in the talks.

INICAN REPUBLIC PRESIDENT: ael experts turned sert to farmlands

OMINGO (UPI). — President Balaguer paid tribute to Israeli technicians who, he said, turned a desert into one of the most productive farmlands in the Dominican Republic.

Mr. Balaguer said, in an interview with Press International, that agronomists and agronomists for an area of my country they have been so successful in their own — they water and farming — they a barren zone and made it.

He said the Israeli lands were now we have banana plantations highly successful vegetable. People who once had re prospering.

He said the peasants who lived on a hand-to-mouth have as much as \$10,000 a year, Mr. Balaguer said.

He said the new is due to the selfish and of the Israelis who came to the country.

farmland in production before the next elections, in 1974.

Already there had been appreciable increases in Dominican exports of sugar, coffee, cacao and tropical fruits, he said.

"For years we have had trade deficits. We have turned that corner, thanks to increased agricultural production and good prices for our exports. There is no way of telling how the prices will stand up, but our production will continue to increase," he said.

"The government has been giving vast quantities of land to peasants in sections large enough to provide for their own families and for cash crops. This together with large commercial plantations of cotton, sisal, coffee, cacao, and diverse fruits has given great impulse to our economy," he said.

"The impulse was helped by the sisal experiment, and we hope to establish more and more such areas in the coming months," he said.

Mr. Balaguer said that his government was seeking help in the exploitation of vast mineral deposits of all kinds in the Dominican Republic.

'Peronists have little chance but still dangerous'

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The followers of Juan Peron have little chance of winning office in the Argentine general elections on March 11, but the Jews of that country still fear the trouble they may cause because of the anti-Semitic character of many of the Peronists. This was stated here on Friday by Jose Yehuda Moskowitz, a prominent Argentine Jew and chairman of the various Holocaust survivors' organizations in South America.

Mr. Moskowitz said the former Argentine dictator was probably finished in politics, as his image has been deflated since his return to Argentina from long years of exile. But his supporters, who preach nationalism combined with a "third world" brand of socialism, wave the red herring of "synarchy" — a movement allegedly led by the "U.S. capitalism and Zionism" to "crush" the national sovereignty of Latin American countries.

Mr. and Mrs. Moskowitz will today inaugurate a club for Border Policemen in Hefron. The Argentine visitors have also donated six blankets to police clubs in different localities.

Jerusalem to have medical centre

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Kupa Holim Central Committee on Friday decided to build a "medical centre" in Jerusalem within the next four years. The proposal, which was made by Dr. Haim Doron, medical director of Kupa Holim, was approved, and a committee is to be set up to work out exact details, as well as a timetable for building.

(At present, Kupa Holim has no hospital in Jerusalem, and its patients are sent to hospitals run by others, such as Hadassah, Bikur Holim, and Shearei Zedek.)

The medical centre, according to Dr. Doron, will not be a general hospital, but will specialize in certain fields, such as the rehabilitation of patients with chronic ailments, a heart department, a public health and family health advisory service, an artificial kidney ward, and a general and plastic surgery operating theatre.

Mrs. Bella Swartz, who holds the "nursing portfolio" in Kupa Holim, said that starting next year, concentration in the first year of instruction in Kupa Holim's six nursing schools "will be on theoretical knowledge tempered with work with actual patients."

At present, she admitted, the girls attending the school are all too often during their first year used as "service personnel" — scrubbing floors and utensils.

This, she added, was one of the reasons that 35 per cent of the girls dropped out of nursing school during the first year.

The case of the compulsive gambler BARMAN GETS 5 YEARS IN IL800,000 EXTORTION

TEL AVIV. — Yosef ("Yuski") Laria, owner of the Puerto Rico bar here, was sentenced on Friday to five years' imprisonment for extorting some IL800,000 from a compulsive gambler who had "fallen into his clutches."

In passing sentence, District Court Judge Elisha Sheinbaum said there was only one extenuating circumstance in the whole case: the victim, Dr. Boris Kishon, a food technician and businessman, had become involved with Laria of his own free will — after he had already incurred serious gambling debts elsewhere.

Laria was found guilty of extortion by force and threats of force and conspiring to commit a crime. He was acquitted of charges of kidnapping and failing to declare foreign currency earnings.

Reviewing the complex relationship that existed between the bar owner and his victim, the judge noted that Dr. Kishon, a successful manager and part-owner of a British fruit concentrates firm, visited Israel frequently. In 1969 Dr. Kishon began frequenting the Alibi Bar in Tel Aviv. In one evening, drinking whisky and playing dice with the owner, a man called Cigla, he lost IL500,000.

BID TO RECOUP
In an attempt to recoup his losses, Dr. Kishon accepted Cigla's invitation to a game of chemin de fer in a private flat. This time he lost IL86,000.

After his creditors began pressing him for the money, Dr. Kishon asked Cigla to help him. The latter introduced him to Yosef Laria.

The Puerto Rico bar owner paid off Dr. Kishon's debts in exchange for a new set of promissory notes. Now began the strange relationship between the two men: they walked away long hours drinking and gambling together which culminated with Laria's terrorizing the businessman and virtually stripping him of all his material possessions, the court said.

Laria introduced Dr. Kishon to other shady characters, including his partner Ilan Asherov (who was later murdered near Atlat) and Yosef Amiel (accused of killing Asherov and freed last November on a stay of proceedings). Leichen Leonte, an associate, was sentenced

to life imprisonment for his part in the killings.

Dr. Kishon got into the habit of dropping into Laria's bar to go over accounts. He often stayed for hours playing cards with the three men, often losing heavily. As the debts mounted, Laria started putting the squeeze on his victim, finally resorting to naked force.

The judge described how, in one game, a "kibbitzer" was hired to deliberately drop Dr. Kishon's lighter on the floor. As the businessman bent down to pick it up, the cards on the table were quickly changed. In another game, Dr. Kishon passed out at the card table, exhausted from a long night of gambling and drinking. When he woke up, he was told he had lost over IL500,000.

Judge Sheinbaum stated he believed every word Dr. Kishon had uttered on the witness stand. When the businessman fell behind in his payments, Laria appointed a "bodyguard," a man called Baruch Bar-Ziv, to watch all his movements. Laria threatened Dr. Kishon with

a pistol, one time forcing him to sign over three expensive paintings that were hung in his Tel Aviv flat (not knowing that the paintings did not belong to Dr. Kishon; the flat was rented).

On another occasion Laria threatened to kill Dr. Kishon's aged parents. He hinted that Asherov — to whom Dr. Kishon also owed money by this time — was a violent man and was capable of killing him if he did not settle his debt.

Laria once even followed Dr. Kishon back to London where he forced him to sell his house to meet some of his notes.

On the other hand, Judge Sheinbaum refused to take into account allegations that Laria was involved in Asherov's murder. Laria was going to jail for extortion alone, the judge said.

Laria's five-year sentence will be retroactive to the time of his arrest — almost a year ago, the court ruled.

Defending Laria, who denied all the charges, was Yacov Hagler. Prosecutor was Assistant District Attorney S. Shtrater.

Three jailed for trying to rape girl volunteers

TEL AVIV. — Three young men from Kalkilya village, near Kfar Saba, were sentenced on Friday to jail terms of up to 15 months for attempting to rape two girl volunteers who were working as tour guides in a nearby kibbutz.

The three — Youssef Da'ud, Tahsin Sharif and Ali Hour — had followed the girls as they were returning to their kibbutz from a visit to Kalkilya. As they passed through a citrus grove, the young men first tried to kiss the girls, then rape them. Both girls — one from Germany, the other from the U.S. — resisted fiercely and managed to get away from their attackers.

The prosecutor, Arie Kadmon, asked for a stiff sentence, saying that women must feel free to walk about the country unmolested, and that crimes such as these were giving the country a bad name.

But the District Court judge held there were extenuating circumstances: the fact that the accused admitted their guilt, that they had asked the girls to forgive them and asked the court for clemency.

Da'ud and Sharif were sentenced to eight months' imprisonment each, while Hour — who had seven previous convictions — received 15 months.

(Tim)

Histadrut enterprises took 2,000 immigrants

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Two thousand new immigrants found work in Histadrut-sponsored enterprises in 1972, Mr. Nahman Fain of Hefrat Ovdim said on Friday. Reporting to the Histadrut's immigrants absorption committee, he said that 186 immigrants will meet shortly to discuss how more immigrants could be given jobs.

grants came from Eastern Europe, 95 from Western Europe, and 71 from North America. Some 1,600 new immigrants joined agricultural settlements during 1972.

The managers of main Histadrut industrial and marketing enterprises will meet shortly to discuss how more immigrants could be given jobs.

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GAT. — A local father of himself on fire on Thursday, execution officers took television set for a debt his daughter. The man, a civilian employee of the Friday was reported badly it out of danger by Ashpit.

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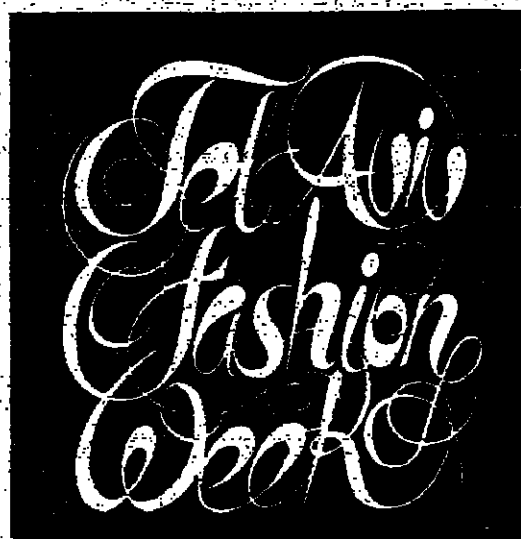
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LIBYAN URGES ALL-OUT WAR

Gaddafi rejects attack at Canal

BEIRUT. — Libyan leader Col. Mu'ammar Gaddafi said in an interview published on Friday that it would be "a strategic military error" for Egypt to try to attack in strength across the Suez Canal.

Gaddafi, in an interview with the editor of the Beirut daily "Al-Bayrak," said the "coming battle" with Israel "will be a confrontation in which either Israel will be finished or the Arabs will fall, but will not be finished."

"Israel showed remarkable courage in 1967 in taking the decision to go to war and in boldly attacking the Arab states," Gaddafi said. He urged the Arab states to follow Israel's example and to wage total war.

"The setting up of a unified military command under Egyptian War Minister Lt. Gen. Ahmed Ismail is 'nothing but a myth,' Gaddafi said. 'The experiment of a unified military command was tested with disastrous results in 1967.'"

Arab radio warning on letter bombs

LONDON (Reuters). — A British amateur radio enthusiast yesterday picked up an Arab terrorist organization broadcast and warned Jews in Europe and the U.S. of new letter bomb threats.

A London police spokesman said they were investigating the threats, carried on "Palestine Liberation Army Radio."

"We are aware of this and are obviously taking action," he said. He added that the amateur operator lived in the English West Country but would give no more details.

Waldheim ends visit to Bangladesh

DACCA (AP). — U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim, leaving for Bangkok at the end of a 48-hour trip to Bangladesh, said yesterday the world body would continue its aid to Bangladesh through the amount will depend on donor countries.

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Senator Henry M. Jackson, Chairman of Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, Senate Office Bldg., Washington, D.C. 20510

PETITION FOR A 'GRAND JURY' AND CONGRESS TO INVESTIGATE CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY OF 'OIL AND GAS COMPANIES RE: (NON-EXISTENT) ALLEGED 'ENERGY-CRISIS'. THAT'S BREWING ANOTHER TEMPEST IN A 'TEA-POT DOME SCANDAL'.

Dear Senator Jackson, You are respectfully requested to take all the appropriate action necessary to implement this "PETITION" for any of the following reasons:

1) THERE IS NO SHORTAGE OF OIL OR GAS... THERE IS NO "ENERGY-CRISIS." See statistics of Rand Corp.; reports of A. David Freedman of Ford Foundation; studies by the House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee and Cabinet Task Force on Oil Import Control; "Oil: The Biggest Business" by Tugendhat; "Rights and Wrongs of the Arab-Israel Conflict" by Arnoni; etcetera.

2) The multi-BILLION dollar "gas and oil industry" has conspired to mobilize all THEIR "energies" in a false propaganda campaign via Radio, TV and other news media to "pollute and deceive the public into believing there is an 'energy-crisis.'"

3) They seek unlawfully, illegally and immorally to

- Violate the anti-trust laws by their joint actions and conspiracies;
- Control America's 'Foreign Policy' (Especially in the Middle East);
- Prevent Congress from reducing their 22½% "tax depletion" allowance;
- Prevent implementation of "pollution controls," environmental, speed drilling, off-shore operations, Alaska pipeline, etc.;
- Persuade Congress to DECONTROL the price of natural gas via deregulation (raising prices doesn't increase oil supply or reserves);
- Arbitrarily increase the price of gas and oil, with impunity;
- Increase oil-import quotas, from cheaper areas vs. American labour;
- Prevent the development of new fuel resources and energy from atomic energy, shale-oil, etcetera;
- Misrepresenting that "shale-oil" the supply of which is almost inexhaustible (approx. 500 billion barrels), would cost \$7.00 to produce, whereas in truth and fact, THE COST WOULD BE LESS THAN \$3.00 a bbl.;
- Using "oil-rations" and other scare tactics, timed to coincide with anticipated freezing temperatures in winter months; etcetera.

IT IS ILLEGAL TO MISREPRESENT OR WITHHOLD FACTS, CONTRARY TO S.E.C. RULES. Oil, gas and other utilities sold their stocks and bonds on express and IMPLIED representations that there was NO "energy crisis"; that they had adequate and unlimited resources of energy to pay interest and dividends. Were these representations FALSE? I submit these matters require investigation by you, Congress and a Federal Grand Jury.

cc Mr. John Gardner, Director "Common Cause" 11 W. 42nd St., N.Y. 10036 January 29, 1973

Respectfully yours, Sol. A. Dann

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Egypt to use Bonn aid for industry

By BRIAN AETHUR

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BONN. — Egypt will use the major part of new capital aid from Bonn to purchase sorely needed spare parts and machinery for its industry, according to official figures released here on last week's economic agreement between the two countries.

The Bonn Foreign Office said yesterday that \$29m. out of a total of \$51m. in long-term low interest credits for 1972 and 1973 is earmarked for this purpose.

The accord, signed in Cairo last Thursday, is seen here as a major step towards restoring West Germany's former strong position in trade with Egypt.

Senior Bonn negotiator Guenther Van Well said on German television Friday night that the agreement is the "logical consequence" of resumption of diplomatic relations with Cairo last year after a seven-year break in 1965 when West Germany recognized Israel.

Van Well said the "basis for intensifying economic relations" with Cairo has been established.

However, Bonn's economic aid is linked to Cairo holding to its pledge to start repaying \$150m. in back debts to Bonn, two thirds of Egypt's total obligations to West Germany.

Van Well also discussed the Egyptian government and an announcement released in Bonn said both sides were convinced a "speedy, just, and lasting" solution to the Middle East conflict "as provided for by U.N. Security Council Resolution 242" was in the interest of detente and peace in the world.

Zayyat bemoans 'crushing' cost of M-E conflict

ADDIS ABABA (UPI). — The financial burden of the Middle East situation "is crushing," Egyptian Foreign Minister Mohammed Hassan el-Zayyat said yesterday.

"We cannot go on like this much longer," the minister said. "The crisis is headed toward a climax in the next few months."

Zayyat headed the Egyptian delegation to the annual ministerial conference of the 41-nation Organization of African Unity (OAU). Conference sources said the meeting was expected to end last night after adoption of resolutions, including one condemning continued Israeli occupation of Arab lands.

Zayyat said the U.S. was blocking any move toward a breakthrough in the area by continuing to give Israel weapons.

"Egypt is not asking Washington to break relations with Israel," he said. "What we want is for America to stop supplying Israel with weapons. While these shipments continue, the U.S. is occupying Arab land by proxy."

E. German envoy condemns Israel for 'aggression'

NEW YORK (UPI). — East Germany's permanent observer to the U.N., in his first public appearance here, condemned Israel for "continued aggression against the Arab states."

The envoy, Horst Grunert, told a meeting sponsored by the "American Society of the German Democratic Republic" that his government "has always pursued a policy of supporting the Arab states because of our belief that they have played a very important part in the international movement against imperialism."

There were occasional shouts of disapproval from the audience, particularly when the questioning turned to the Berlin Wall. But Grunert defended the Wall by saying it was, in his belief, the first serious attempt to safeguard peace in Europe.

"West Germany was using the slogan of unification to wage an economic war against our people," he said. "We had to protect ourselves."

Mini-controversy over statue

ATHENS (AP). — A 2.10-metre Carrara marble statue of Pericles has sparked controversy over the length of his skirt and the thickness of his legs.

"Ridiculous," some art critics called it, panning the short skirt and the heavy legs. A long tunic would have been better, they say.

A Greek shipowner, John Theodoropoulos, who paid for the statue of the ancient Greek statesman to be set up in a public park in downtown Athens, has threatened to take it away.

He said, "One doesn't like his legs because they are heavy. Ancient Greeks didn't have automobiles. They did all their moving on foot or on horseback and therefore developed sturdy legs. Others don't like the short tunic. Well, we don't have historical proof that Pericles wore a maxi."

The statue depicts Pericles wearing a miniskirt and helmet and holding a roll of papyrus. It stands before the city's new cultural centre, formerly a state hospital.

Theodoropoulos paid a German sculptor \$80,000 for the statue.

I'm prepared to take Pericles away. If they think it spoils Athens I'll take him back. But they (the critics) really don't know what they are talking about," Theodoropoulos said.

An official unveiling of the statue was scheduled for last



(AP radio photo)

Wednesday by Athens Mayor Dimitrios Ritsos but it was indefinitely postponed for "technical reasons." But the mayor quietly slipped into the park three days before and pulled off the sheet covering the statue.

7,000 Ugandans watch firing squad execution

KAMPALA (Reuters). — A Ugandan was executed by firing squad before some 7,000 people near the city centre here yesterday, one of 12 people due to be executed publicly in various parts of the country.

But unlike the 11 others, who were being executed in public for guerrilla activities, Badru Semakula was described by a military spokesman as an armed robber.

In Kampala, the crowds started gathering an hour or more before the execution. A main road nearby was blocked with people and cars.

Men stood on the tops of trucks and small boys climbed trees to get a better view. Women carried babies in arms, and small children ran around. Many people carried umbrellas to keep off the sun.

The condemned man was brought by military police from a nearby military prison. He wore a grey hood, so that his face could not be seen, and the army uniform in which he was said to have been arrested three weeks ago, posing as a Ugandan soldier.

Soldiers roped him to a post, the execution squad took up position and the order was given to fire. The dead man's head slumped forward, but the ropes prevented him from falling.

CROWD BREAKS UP The crowd continued talking, and then began to drift away. An army doctor pronounced him dead, and his body was placed in a coffin.

Semakula was the only man executed in Kampala. The other 11 were due to be shot in seven provincial towns, in line with a ruling by President Idi Amin's Defence Council that each should be executed in his own home district "so that everyone, including his parents, can see."

The 12 were sentenced by a special military tribunal which sat in secret at a Kampala military prison over the past two weeks.

The condemned men included a

Moon robot ends 2-week hibernation

MOSCOW (UPI). — The Lunokhod 2 moon robot Friday ended its two-week mechanical hibernation in the freezing lunar night and began exploring the moon's surface, the Tass News Agency said.

It said all systems aboard the eight-wheeled vehicle, landed on the moon January 16 aboard its Luna 21 mothership, were functioning normally.

Friday's report was the first official word on the craft since the lunar night, bringing temperatures as low as minus 140 centigrade, enveloped it January 24. A nuclear heater protected it from the cold.

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PRESIDENT SEEMS POWERLESS

'Coups in disguise' by Uruguayan general

MONTEVIDEO. — Uruguayan President Juan Maria Bordaberry yesterday appeared to have no option but to bow to a "coup in disguise" as the price of staying in office, political observers said.

He had only civilian advisers to help him study the conditions, after sailors who stood by on Friday to protect him against rebel army and air force officers were pulled back to their barracks early yesterday.

And the police announced they were taking orders from the Army Commander-in-Chief, Gen. Cesar Martinez.

Late Friday night, after 24 hours of tense confrontation with the rebels, President Bordaberry, 44-year-old leader of the right-wing Colorado party, removed the theoretical cause of the dispute by accepting the resignation of his Defence Minister, retired army Gen. Antonio Franceschi.

Army tanks were parked in the suburbs and the sailors cordoned off government house and the entire "Old Town" section of the city as representatives of Mr. Bordaberry haggled with Gen. Martinez and Air Force Chief Brigadier Jose Perez Caldas, in a military barracks.

As soon as Gen. Franceschi's resignation was confirmed the rebels made clear in a communique broadcast from occupied radio stations that they wanted far more: direct participation in government to ensure a series of sweeping social and economic reforms.

"This is a coup in disguise," a Colorado Party senator told newsmen.

In April, after the leftist Tupamaro guerrillas killed four security agents, Mr. Bordaberry obtained from Congress a declaration of "internal war" against the Tupamaros. It gave the armed forces sweeping powers, including emergency control of the police and military trials for guerrilla suspects.

Six months later, army and police units had whittled the guerrillas but in the process they uncovered

are also eager to obtain the contract.

Since they arrived in Wallonia, the Israeli experts have met Jean Defraigne, Secretary of State for the Walloon economy, and Liege's Provincial Governor Jean Motard. They have also visited Liege University's mathematics centre and mechanical institute in what appears to be a search for skilled technicians.

When the contacts between I.A.I. and the Belgians first came to light a few weeks ago, the Foreign Minister of Saudi Arabia made a formal protest during a visit to Belgium. "Belgium," "Christian Movement for Peace" has issued a violent communique condemning the I.A.I. project, which it claims is backed by the Beech Aircraft Company of the U.S. The communique said: "This means that the conflict between Israel and the Arabs is being brought onto Belgian soil in order to solve our unemployment problem."

A decision on whether Belgium and I.A.I. will go ahead with the project is expected to be taken next week by Premier Edmond Leburton, a Walloon Socialist, who took office only a fortnight ago after a 65-day government crisis. Former Premier Gaston Eyskens, a Flemish Christian Socialist, had given his approval in principle before his government was toppled in November.

At a news conference, the spokesman said the Russian government had agreed to the trip, then in hotel reservations for the group.

He said denial of hotel reservations is tantamount to refusal to issue a visa.

U.K., France, N. recognize E. Germany

EAST BERLIN (Reuters). — East and West Germany established diplomatic relations at ambassadorial level, the German news agency ADN said.

Nigeria is the 72nd state to recognize East Germany, and 71st were Britain and which established diplomatic relations on Friday.

Cornfeld charged with rape attempt

LONDON (AP). — American actor Bernard Cornfeld, founder of the Investors Overseas Service mutual fund, was charged with attempting to rape a woman at a party in New York.

Cornfeld, 45, also was charged with indecently assaulting a woman at a party in New York.

He was remanded at the court on \$1,000 bail until his next hearing.

'Bunny' spins own grape with 'love'

LOS ANGELES (AP). — A woman who had been charged with giving a drug to a former "Bunny" at a playboy nightclub.

A jury of eight men and women deliberated for four hours before bringing in the verdict.

Cornfeld, 25, had been charged with giving a drug to a woman who had been charged with giving a drug to a former "Bunny" at a playboy nightclub.

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Cornfeld testified that Miss Williams put the drug in the drink.

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TOP TEAMS DRAW IN FOOTBALL MATCHES

Post Sports Reporter

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A shot by David Yishai of Jerusalem Betar (left) goes past an attempted block by a Tel Aviv Maccabi player in yesterday's game at the YMCA field in the capital which Betar won 1-0. (Rahamim Yisraeli)

and in the 64th minute Kuenstlich added a third.

Five thousand fans in Beersheba saw Jerusalem Hapoel exploit the only two mistakes of the Beersheba Hapoel defence and score two goals within two minutes early in the second half. The scorers were Zvi Singal and Shlomo Mahtabi. Until then the spectators were treated to a fine game of soccer on both sides. The Jerusalem players fought for every ball which just gave them the edge in mid-field. Meir Barad delivered for the Negev side in the 89th minute, but it was too late for Beersheba Hapoel to save the game.

Five thousand spectators in Haifa saw one of the season's best games at the Kiryat Eliezer ground. In the first half the home side showed flair and had the edge. Their defender Shmuel Hazanous opened the scoring with a brilliant goal, beating four Petah Tikva players before crashing in a shot from 25 metres in the 25th minute. Petah Tikva Maccabi drew level in the 42nd minute through their National Youth Team player, Elad Hapoel. In the second half Petah Tikva Maccabi got on top. Elad Hapoel scored a goal in the 58th minute.

In the 64th minute, North leaders Hadera Hapoel were surprisingly held to a 0-0 draw at home by 9th placed Netanya Betar, but they still maintain a four point lead in the Southern Division. The race is still neck and neck, as both Hadera Hapoel and Be'er Yehuda scored wins and are separated by only one point.

A goal three minutes before the end by Egon Bihn gave the German Youth Team a 1-0 win over the Israel up to 18-year-old side, in a match played in Hadera yesterday. The German Youth play their third

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India — U.K. cricket Test tie likely

BOMBAY (AP). — England were all out in their first innings for 480 yesterday just before tea, with a 32-run lead over India's first innings in the final cricket Test of the M.C.C.'s five-Test tour.

India quickly wiped out the deficit in the 90 minutes after tea and at stumps had made 102 for no loss in their second innings. With India batting and holding all 10 wickets, the Test appeared headed for a draw, which would give India the rubber.

The home team leads the series 2-1 and one draw. Only an unlikely victory by England could salvage a drawn rubber for the tourists. England entered the second day of its innings in a good position at 333 for five, mainly from the record 264-run fifth-wicket partnership of Keith Fletcher and Tony Greig, but the last five batsmen, playing cautiously, added only 142 runs in almost four hours of play.

Both teams piled up their highest one-innings scores of the rubber, but England's rate was faster, the 400 coming in 507 minutes off 137.5 overs, against India's 581 minutes off 127 overs.

France upsets All Blacks in Rugby

PARIS (AP). — An underdog French 15 yesterday handed the All Blacks a surprise 13-6 defeat, in the only Test match the New Zealanders lost on their European tour.

The French side, and particularly their forwards, dominated the play for most of the match, their power, weight and unity keeping play largely in the New Zealand half.

The French led 10-3 at half-time on a try by Dourthe and a goal from a try by Bertranne with Roume converting. Karam kicked a penalty and got another in the second half for their only All Black scores as they never managed to penetrate the strong French defence.

Meanwhile, in Dublin, Ireland beat England 18-9 yesterday and made a fine start in the Five Nations Rugby Union Tournament. The Irish led 12-3 at half-time. Barry McGann, kicking with cool and deadly accuracy, scored 12 of Ireland's points.

An excited crowd of nearly 53,000 watched the first tournament game in Dublin for two years. Both Scotland and Wales refused to play in troubled Ireland last season.

Liverpool toppled from soccer lead

LONDON (Reuters). — Arsenal ended Liverpool's 20-week reign as the English First Division League leaders when they scored a thrilling 2-0 away victory in their top-of-the-table soccer clash before a 50,000 crowd yesterday.

Second-half goals by England World Cup star Alan Ball and striker John Radford enabled Arsenal to become the first club to beat Liverpool on their home ground for 13 months (a run of 33 matches) and took them one point clear of their rivals in the championship race.

The game was evenly balanced until the 63rd minute when full-back Alec Lindsay fouled George Armstrong in the area and Ball scored from the penalty spot. Arsenal, buoyed up by their success, continued to press and went further ahead seven minutes later when Radford snapped up a through-pass from Pat Rice to score a brilliant goal. The London club now have 42 points from 30 matches, but Liverpool have one game in hand.

Third-placed Leeds United suffered their first defeat in eight weeks when they were beaten 2-0 at Leicester City continued their climb out of the relegation zone. Alan Barchan scored both Leicester goals to sink Leeds, who have 39 points from 25 matches.

ISPS TOWN

Ipswich Town, fourth in the table, had their match against Stoke City postponed, and remained three points adrift of Leeds. Newcastle United slipped into fifth place with a 1-1 draw against Coventry City.

Scottish International Colin Stein gave Coventry a 24th minute lead, but Newcastle equalized 35 seconds later through Stewart Barrowclough. League champions Derby crashed to a 2-0 defeat against relegation-threatened Birmingham City, whose goals came from Bob Latchford and Trevor Francis.

Bryan Robson, the division's leading scorer, added to his goal tally as West Ham United beat Norwich City 1-0 to stay in seventh place.

Caesarea golf

CAESAREA. — The Petterball Golf Tournament played yesterday was won by Harold Stutzen and Bertie Bernstein, both of Tel Aviv, with a very good 11 under par, net 61. Runners-up were Elias Hasson of Givatayim and Kay Robins of Tel Aviv with a net 65.

Kibbutz hoopsters

in surprise win

TEL AVIV. — The kibbutz combination of Givat Brenner and Na'an brought off a surprise win in the National Basketball League on Friday night, beating the American star-studded Jerusalem Hapoel squad by 82-68.

Two other kibbutz sides also brought off good wins, Megiddo beating Jerusalem Betar 87-80 in the capital and Givat Yagur scoring an 86-60 win over Hafia Maccabi in Hafia. Tel Aviv Maccabi felt no ill effects from its mid-week clash with Real Madrid and had little difficulty beating Ashdod Ya'acov Hapoel 113-84, with Mickey Berkowitz as main scorer with 28 points.

BASKETBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Jerusalem Betar 80, Megiddo Hapoel 87; Hafia Maccabi 60, Givat Yagur Hapoel 86; Givat Brenner Na'an Hapoel 85, Jerusalem Hapoel 68; Nir David-Bet Alpha Hapoel 72, Ramat Gan Hapoel 89; Tel Aviv Maccabi 113, Ashdod Ya'acov Hapoel 84; Tel Aviv Hapoel 102, Kiryat Haim Hapoel 87.

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31ST DECEMBER 1972

	IL	1971* IL		IL	1971* IL
Capital and Reserves					
Share capital	4,800,000	4,800,000	Cash in Hand and Balances with Bank of Israel and Banking Institutions	713,044,856	449,604,2
Reserve for proposed distribution of bonus shares	1,200,000		Securities	21,313,586	18,600,8
Premium on shares	4,470,000	4,470,000	Loans and other Accounts, less provision for doubtful debts	534,472,203	507,782,8
General reserve and unappropriated balance of profit	3,367,860	2,617,565	Bank Premises and Equipment, at cost less depreciation	5,872,323	5,240,0
	<u>13,837,860</u>	<u>11,887,565</u>	Customers for Liabilities on their behalf	98,319,016	81,982,8
Deposits and other accounts					
Demand deposits	115,027,359	94,664,683			
Time deposits	333,917,847	260,868,747			
Deposits and loans from banking institutions	507,871,019	365,418,697			
Government deposits for the granting of loans	13,468,607	15,937,007			
Deposits and loans from Bank of Israel and banking institutions for the granting of loans	246,782,668	209,132,095			
Other accounts (including inner reserves)	43,797,608	23,329,147			
	<u>1,260,865,108</u>	<u>969,350,376</u>			
Liabilities on account of customers	98,319,016	81,982, 600			
	<u>1,373,021,984</u>	<u>1,063,220,541</u>			
				<u>1,373,021,984</u>	<u>1,063,220,541</u>

* Reclassified

The notes accompanying these financial statements form an integral part thereof.

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N. VERLINSKY, Director
A. KLIER, Director
W. HAUCK, Joint General Manager
M. M. MAYER, Joint General Manager

Auditors' Report to the Shareholders of Union Bank of Israel Ltd.

We have examined the balance sheet of Union Bank of Israel Limited as at 31st December 1972 and the statement of profit and loss for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly we have applied such auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. In our opinion, the said balance sheet and statement of profit and loss present fairly in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles the financial position of the bank as at 31st December 1972 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, and have been drawn up in conformity with sections 3 and 4 of the Securities Regulations (Presentation of Financial Statements — 1969) and pursuant to sections 107 and 108 of the Companies Ordinance.

Tel-Aviv, 30th January 1973.

Somekh, Chaikin, Citron & Co.
Certified Public Accountants (Iser.)

STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1972

	IL	Preceding year* IL
Operating income		
Interest on loans and discounts	38,573,850	28,563,928
Interest on deposits with Bank of Israel and banking institutions	33,134,740	25,248,083
Interest on Government obligations and debentures approved for investment**	1,946,084	1,823,140
Other income (net) from transactions in securities held for trading purposes**	2,163,238	1,022,055
Commissions and other income	18,120,146	11,133,930
Total	<u>89,938,058</u>	<u>67,791,136</u>
Operating expenses		
Interest on deposits, savings and loans**	58,824,428	46,344,668
Commissions	222,557	114,352
Provision for doubtful debts, net	1,245,877	794,406
Salaries and social and other benefits	18,804,085	11,449,045
Occupancy of bank premises, net	906,570	780,282
Depreciation on bank premises, equipment and fittings and amortization on leasehold rights	339,726	380,764
Other expenses	5,219,520	3,961,836
Total	<u>81,562,763</u>	<u>63,825,353</u>
Operating profit, before taxes on income	8,375,295	3,965,783
Provision for taxes on income	4,945,000	2,283,000
Net profit, before extraordinary income	3,430,295	1,682,783
Extraordinary income applicable to the year 1971, after taxes relating thereto of IL 800,000	—	695,000
Balance of profit at beginning of year	67,565	66,782
Profit available for appropriation	<u>3,497,860</u>	<u>2,444,565</u>
Appropriation of profit		
Transfer to general reserve	750,000	500,000
Transfer to inner reserve	1,000,000	750,000
Extraordinary income (net) transferred to inner reserve	—	695,000
Transfer to reserve for proposed distribution of bonus shares	1,200,000	—
Dividend (gross) —		
interim, paid — 4.5%	216,000	—
final, proposed — 5.5% (1971 — 9%)	264,000	432,000
	<u>3,430,000</u>	<u>2,377,000</u>
Balance of unappropriated profit	<u>67,860</u>	<u>67,565</u>

* Restated — see note 12

** Including linkage differences.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER 1972

The securities comprised					
Securities approved for investment —					
These are stated as follows:					
Linked to the consumer price index —					
all cost plus linkage differences and interest accrued					
Linked to the consumer price index or not linked, as the holder's option —					
at the holder's option, less linkage differences and interest accrued					
Composition					
Government obligations					
Quoted					
(Market value IL 2,291,879)					
1971 — IL 4,751,000	2,302,380	5,126,393			
Unquoted	8,826,147	2,115,972			
Debentures					
Quoted					
(Market value IL 3,896,744)					
1971 — IL 2,501,979	3,846,044	2,947,195			
Unquoted	14,764,388	14,887,320			
Loans — interest and linkage differences accrued	3,287,845	2,107,427			
Total securities approved for investment	11,488,583	8,181,926			
Securities other than those approved for investment —					
These are stated as follows:					
Government obligations and debentures					
Quoted —					
Linked to the consumer price index or to foreign currency — at the lower of cost plus linkage differences and interest accrued or market value					
Linked to the consumer price index or not linked, as the holder's option — at the holder's option, less linkage differences and interest accrued or at market value, whichever is lower					
Not linked — at the lower of cost plus interest or market value					
Shares —					
At the lower of cost or market value					
Unquoted —					
At or under cost					
Composition					
Treasury bills					
Linked — interest account	1,308,465	9,684,765			
Unquoted	119,500	119,500			
Government obligations					
Quoted					
(Market value IL 1,421,023)					
1971 — IL 468,971	1,416,303	469,971			
Unquoted	1,819	—			
Debentures					
Quoted					
(Market value IL 1,127,894)					
1971 — IL 73,959	1,280,498	72,820			
Unquoted	1,947,871	638,001			
Loans — interest and linkage differences accrued	—	11,754			
Shares					
Quoted					
(Market value IL 678,280)					
1971 — IL 58,718	688,688	58,718			
Unquoted	308,880	218,800			
Securities other than those approved for investment	1,038,778	540,819			
Total securities in balance sheet	21,313,586	16,800,828			

The amount of interest and linkage differences accrued on the securities as shown above have been included under loans in the "Other Accounts".

2. Loans and other accounts less provision for doubtful debts comprise:

	IL	1971 IL
Loans and other accounts	246,523,954	264,740,276
Less: provision for doubtful debts	(23,210,468)	(23,210,468)
For the granting of loans	223,313,486	241,529,808
Other accounts	28,667,602	19,938,418
Total	251,981,088	261,468,226

3. The bank's loans and other accounts include loans and other accounts:

	IL	1971 IL
Loans and other accounts	251,981,088	261,468,226
Less: provision for doubtful debts	(23,210,468)	(23,210,468)
Total	228,770,620	238,257,758

4. Liabilities on account of customers and the corresponding assets comprise:

	IL	1971 IL
Liabilities	98,319,016	81,982,600
Assets	98,319,016	81,982,600

5. The bank's capital comprises:

	IL	1971 IL
Capital	4,800,000	4,800,000
Reserves	1,200,000	1,200,000
Total	6,000,000	6,000,000

6. The bank's deposits and other accounts comprise:

	IL	1971 IL
Deposits and other accounts	115,027,359	94,664,683
Time deposits	333,917,847	260,868,747
Total	448,945,206	355,533,430

7. The bank's loans and other accounts include loans and other accounts:

	IL	1971 IL
Loans and other accounts	251,981,088	261,468,226
Less: provision for doubtful debts	(23,210,468)	(23,210,468)
Total	228,770,620	238,257,758

8. The bank's capital comprises:

	IL	1971 IL
Capital	4,800,000	4,800,000
Reserves	1,200,000	1,200,000
Total	6,000,000	6,000,000

9. The bank's deposits and other accounts comprise:

	IL	1971 IL
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Time deposits	333,917,847	260,868,747
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10. The bank's loans and other accounts include loans and other accounts:

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Loans and other accounts	251,981,088	261,468,226
Less: provision for doubtful debts	(23,210,468)	(23,210,468)
Total	228,770,620	238,257,758

11. The bank's capital comprises:

	IL	1971 IL
Capital	4,800,000	4,800,000
Reserves	1,200,000	1,200,000
Total	6,000,000	6,000,000

12. The bank's deposits and other accounts comprise:

	IL	1971 IL
Deposits and other accounts	115,027,359	94,664,683
Time deposits	333,917,847	260,868,747
Total	448,945,206	355,533,430

13. The bank's loans and other accounts include loans and other accounts:

	IL	1971 IL
Loans and other accounts	251,981,088	261,468,226
Less: provision for doubtful debts	(23,210,468)	(23,210,468)
Total	228,770,620	238,257,758

14. The bank's capital comprises:

	IL	1971 IL
Capital	4,800,000	4,800,000
Reserves	1,200,000	1,200,000
Total	6,000,000	6,000,000

15. The bank's deposits and other accounts comprise:

	IL	1971 IL
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Less: provision for doubtful debts	(23,210,468)	(23,210,468)
Total	228,770,620	238,257,758

17. The bank's capital comprises:

	IL	1971 IL
Capital	4,800,000	4,800,000
Reserves	1,200,000	1,200,000
Total	6,000,000	6,000,000

18. The bank's deposits and other accounts comprise:

	IL	1971 IL
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Time deposits	333,917,847	260,868,747
Total	448,945,206	355,533,430

Furore in Holland over mercy-killing case

THE PATIENT WHO WANTED TO DIE

By SUE MASTERMAN

THE HAGUE (Ons). — DUTCH doctor, Mrs. Geertruida Postma-van Boven, is standing 1 for administering a lethal morose injection to her 78-year-old daughter, who was dying painfully who had repeatedly requested daughter to put an end to her suffering. This case has brought division in Holland over euthanasia derived from the Greek words for "good" and "death" to "boiling it."

he discussion on whether doctors or others have the right to life in certain circumstances been simmering ever since the testant Church Synod in February 1972 proclaimed that "passive euthanasia" was acceptable. By active euthanasia the Dutch Protestant Church meant the suspension medical treatment in order to allow a dying patient to die sooner. church, a powerful influence in land, rejected "active euthanasia" which was defined as deliberate shortening a patient's life by administering treatment that, either orally or via side effects, can But the synod noted that the derline between the two forms never been defined.

PUBLIC SUPPORT

r. Postma-van Boven and her husband are general practitioners in the small Protestant community of Noordwolde in Friesland, one of Holland's most northern provinces. The people who live in this province boast a different religion from the rest of the Dutch nation and speak a different language. The Noordwolde community has been by overwhelming majority to port its doctor on trial. An application to sign a petition in support Dr. Postma-van Boven was signed by more than 1,000 people, of whom had to take the trouble to go to a central point and sign the petition. The doctor did not want to be accused of door-to-door canvassing.

Nineteen other doctors practising in Friesland have sent a letter to

Dr. Postma-van Boven declaring that they all individually have practised euthanasia at some time or another. Forty-five other doctors from the Friesland area have signed a letter supporting Dr. Postma-van Boven's action. A member of the Dutch Parliament, the only representative of the extremely conservative Roman Catholic party, has demanded that the 18 doctors should also be prosecuted.

Although there seems to be a general acceptance in Holland that someone who is in the last phase of dying has the right to ask to be allowed to die quickly and quietly, there are opposite opinions.

Memories of Nazi concentration camps are much alive. The Dutch would never tolerate a law that might allow the handicapped, the injured or the elderly to be quietly pushed over the brink. They have refused to change the law as it exists, knowing that a new law also means a new set of legal loopholes. What ever new law emerges, it will certainly demand the full and conscious consent of the patient before life can be ended prematurely.

Euthanasia in Holland is, as in many other West European countries, practised but seldom preached. It is well known, and openly admitted by individual doctors, that some types of extremely malformed children are allowed to die shortly after birth, simply by not performing necessary operations. Senile patients are sometimes allowed to die when complex medical treatment might prolong their lives. Patients whose brains have been deprived of oxygen for too long are often simply not reanimated.

Up to now the Dutch doctor has been all-powerful, and his power to determine between life and death uncontested. A court case like that involving Dr. Postma-van Boven reminds the Dutch that the doctor is also a fallible human being. The question then arises: should he or she have to take that decision alone, because the rest of the population dare not face the consequences of establishing the borderline between life and death?



The Levi Eshkol Boulevard in Holon was dedicated on Thursday. Among those at the ceremony were the late Prime Minister's widow, Miriam Eshkol, right, and Holon Mayor Pinhas Eylon and his wife. Today is the fourth anniversary of the death of Mr. Eshkol. (Uri Starik)

CONCESSIONS TO POPULAR TASTE

The Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, subscription concert No. 6. Conductor: Stanislaw Skrowaczewski. Soloist: Martha Argerich, piano. (Tel Aviv, Mann Auditorium, February 5.) Bach: Suite No. 3 in D major; Beethoven: Piano Concerto No. 1; Berlioz: Romeo and Juliet, excerpts.

WITH Martha Argerich as soloist, and the able and lively Skrowaczewski conducting, expectations were high, but what they actually offered was not satisfying. It was of course not so much the performances, all on a high level, which made this concert a lukewarm affair, but rather the lack of at least one work which could really focus attention and interest. A Bach Suite is always a welcome



curtain-raiser, and Mr. Skrowaczewski, elicited from the orchestra a rich organ-like sonority. Beethoven's first Piano Concerto offered a lot of delicacies and a beautiful slow movement, but Miss Argerich could not express herself wholeheartedly in its rather limited and restricted context. Both this concerto and the Tchaikovsky, which Miss Argerich is going to play in her next programme, are despairingly conventional and concessions to popular taste. Why could this exciting not give us something really new and thrilling?

After Bach and Beethoven one longest for something to dispel our gloomy meditations on I.P.O. programming, yet Berlioz' sad, rather inconsequential music only deepened our frustration. Mr. Skrowaczewski really did his best but there was no real breakthrough. BENJAMIN BAR-AM

DREAMLIKE PIANO

Haifa Chamber Music Society. The Israel Trio: Daniel Huxter, piano; Manachem Ben-Zvi, violin; Zvi Karmi, cello. (Haifa, February 3, 1973.) Beethoven: Trio in D major Op. 70 No. 1. Maurice Ravel: Duo Sonata for Violin and Cello; Brahms: Trio in C minor Op. 101.

BEETHOVEN'S Trio in D major, nicknamed "The Ghost Trio," starts with strong overtures, which were somewhat exaggerated by the pianist. In the second movement, he subordinated his part and his otherwise beautiful touch to the softer tone of the violin and cello, resulting in a dreamlike music, making which found especially happy expression in the prelude. Ravel with his independent mind wrote a work full of dissonances, proving that absolute music (even after Beethoven's classics) does not hurt the ear, but with its originality keeps our interest all the time. The Sonata's vitality in the first movement, the pianist in the second, the last movement's fast tempo provided a fascinating picture of the work's true quality. The work as well as its exponents received a well deserved ovation.

The Brahms Trio had to be viewed from another angle. Again the artists' flexibility to adapt their art to a different style and perspective was perfect. With the outstanding performance of these three completely different works the Israel Trio reached a new peak in their career. G.W.B.

The Vatican said to be in financial trouble

VATICAN CITY (UPI). — The Vatican, a symbol of wealth for many, is in financial difficulties, according to church sources here. The Vatican sources said investment setbacks mean the Holy See may soon have to start drawing on its capital to pay day-to-day expenses.

They said a decision taken a couple of years ago to transfer investments from Italian to foreign stock markets has not produced the increase in income that had been anticipated. At the same time, they said, offerings from Roman Catholics around the world have declined — particularly in the U.S.

The reason, according to the sources, is that many bishops prefer to use funds to alleviate poverty at home. The annual "Peter's Pence" offering also has declined, the sources said.

Income has not kept up with the skyrocketing costs of running the Vatican since the Ecumenical Council, they said. True, the Papal Court and many of the trappings of pomp and circumstance have disappeared, but they accounted for a relatively small part of the total budget.

Instead, a number of new organizations have been added to the Vatican apparatus — for example, the secretariats for Christian Unity and relations with non-Christians and the commissions for the laity.

Repair work on the Lateran Palace, the former papal headquarters that now houses the Church hierarchy for Rome, and on the Pope's own apostolic palace has caused heavy loads into funds, the Vatican sources said. The building of the \$10m. audience hall in the Vatican was another setback and costs several thousands of dollars a month in running costs.

Last, but not least, the financial burden of papal philanthropic aid to displaced Arabs, Bangladesh, Biafra and disaster areas such as Nicaragua is an important but unpredictable item of the papal budget.

The Vatican has never published a balance sheet and its wealth and its needs can only be guessed at. When the Vatican signed its notorious concordat with the Mussolini regime in 1929, the Holy See received an independent home of its own in the heart of Rome plus \$40m. in cash and an even larger sum in Italian state bonds. This was compensation for the loss of papal territories in the previous century.

The cash and bonds provided the foundation for Vatican investments in stocks and real estate. In recent years, the Vatican has sold off some of its property to finance specific projects. And now some of the investments are said to be doing badly.

Supermarket holdup suspects remanded

TEL AVIV. — Police convinced a magistrate here on Friday to remand two suspects in the hold-up of a supermarket at Ramat Hahayal here earlier in the week, on the strength of "microscopic" evidence.

A police officer said a laboratory examination of traces found on the palms of the two suspects, Uri Wolf and Ya'acov Mazon, showed they had been holding magazines of an Uzzi sub-machinegun prior to their arrest.

The two young men allegedly burst into the supermarket after closing hours last Wednesday and forced the employees, at gunpoint, to hand over IL2,650. Judge Arye Evenari said the evidence against the suspects was "rather flimsy," but agreed to remand them for five days on the strength of the police laboratory report. (Him)

NEW COURSES

HE Rubin Academy in Jerusalem will celebrate its own 25th anniversary as well as that of the state of Israel with a show at the Russian Theatre on February 12. The Jerusalem Contemporary Dance Ensemble will perform a special work, choreographed by Hassia Levy, the music has been composed Ami Maynard.

New courses at the Academy include Acting for Dancers, with Benjamin Zemach as instructor and choreographic analysis with Joan Cass as teacher. Klara Volin's character-dancing classes and mela Jones gives instruction in recitation instruments. The dance department now has about 300 pupils, among them are some Americans, 1 a girl from Switzerland.

The Jerusalem Contemporary Dance Ensemble has given more than 70 performances at schools — sometimes three in one day — in various parts of the country. The programmes have dealt with the story of Social Dance, with examinations by Hassia Levy, who is preparing a new programme on development of Modern Dance.

YONA Siegel, American immigrant living in Arad, now gives courses of modern dance and k dance in the Physical Education Department of the University of the Negev. She is also preparing modern dance programme to be given by the University students at the end of the year. Last December, programme that she choreographed at Masada for tourists was videotaped by Canadian television.

Over-45 tennis league set up

JERUSALEM Post Sports Reporter AL AVIV. — The 45-year-old real Veterans' Tennis Association to set up its own National Tennis league. The veterans' (men over 45) organization hopes to have some tennis in its competition, which will begin in two months' time. The league will be run in conjunction with the Israel Lawn Tennis Association, which the veterans are affiliated. Meanwhile, several more clubs have applied to the ILTA to join the Women's National Tennis league, which got off to a good start last week with the participation of ten teams. These applicants include Beersheva University and Haifa's Carmel Country Club.

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Members of the Bat-Dor Dance Company at a performance of "Horizons in Violet and Blue," the first work to be choreographed in Israel by Inessa Alexandrovich, who emigrated here from the Soviet Union last year. The ballet was staged at a company show in Tel Aviv last Thursday. Works of Manuel Alun, a guest choreographer from America and of Dori Reiter-Soffer were also staged.

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Pleasant packaging is to a good consumer product what good manners are to an honest person. This form of regard for its buyers, mainly the housewives of Israel and 25 other countries around the world, has won the Telma Blueband Company of Haifa the first prize in the contest for the finest packaging of an export product, held during the Israel Food Week in Tel Aviv last month. A panel of nine judges of several countries, including Lord Sainsbury of Drury Lane, Chairman of the J. Sainsbury Food Chain, selected the best entry.

To quote Telma Blueband manager, Ernst Shimon Teltsch: "We really try hard all the time to renew and improve our packaging, as well as our products. We have a special department to do just that, with a graphic artist in charge of it. It's not a case of art for the sake of art. In the food business throughout the world, competition is very keen, particularly in the marketing of what we call convenience foods. By that we mean foods that are easy and quick to prepare and to serve by women or men who have a lot of other things to do and can't spend hours in the kitchen, as housewives used to do in the past. The packaging of convenience food items must do two things: it must be attractive and eye-catching; and it must give the buyer clear, easy-to-understand information he or she needs to know to prepare the food for serving."

Teamwork on Packaging

This recipe for successful marketing may look as easy to follow as it is to prepare an instant borsht (the latest Telma product on the market — "just add water — serve hot or cold") but it calls for much preparatory work at the factory level. "Our packaging people work together with the product development unit. They exchange information, screen suggestions, throw drafts and sketches back and forth as in a ping-pong game, until the result pleases everybody," said general manager Teltsch. "The guideline is that the finished package must look attractive on the shelf in self-service shops, like the supermarkets, where there are no grocers' wives to instruct the shopper in how to prepare

the food." Since self-service shops have come into fashion, the packaging in which food products are offered has become nearly as important as the quality. Of course, if packaging is substituted for quality, the manufacturer will find his customers buying twice only — the first time and last time.

Snags Slowing Innovations

Mr. Teltsch sighed deeply when he lists the obstacles the Israel food manufacturer and exporter runs up against when he tries to modernize his packaging. "We have trouble getting new materials. There are changes in this field all the time, but our suppliers tend to be conservative. Paper, cardboard, aluminium and tin-foil and tins no longer have an exclusive monopoly of this market. Slow change is very much a disadvantage. And if new materials are too expensive, because the customs duty is too high or for other reasons, the effect is as if the materials were simply not available."

The Food Industry Exhibition in Tel Aviv last month has driven home some lessons to the Government officials concerned. Israel's exporters must compete against the world's giant food manufacturing concerns, mainly in the U.S.A., Britain and Germany, which have immense budgets at their disposal to introduce their new foods to the consumer. They spend it on market research and publicity in the newspapers, colour magazines and TV — all very expensive propaganda media, which we here cannot afford, even in our dreams," said Teltsch.

Special Foods — Ammunition Against Manufacturing Goliaths

Telma Blueband's answer to the powerful propaganda artillery of the world's food-making goliaths is to specialize. "We are scoring in the international food contest by concentrating on specialty items. In trade jargon they are called gourmet foods. They appeal to food-conscious, sophisticated consumers who are looking for something new, interesting, exotic to eat."

The Telma "specialties" are the ultra-modern low-calorie foods that are sought by weight-watching,

health-conscious people who want to eat well without expanding their waistline; "Mediterranean" foods like hummus-sesame dips, tehina sauce falafel mix, sahlav Oriental dessert; and Jewish food, like matzo-ball (dumpling) and gefillte-fish mixes.

Low Calories to Hold Down Weight

"Our low-calories soups have been quite a hit in Britain. Our main buyers there are the 100,000 or so members of the weight-watchers' club. We are succeeding there against stiff competition. Altogether we are making headway in America, South Africa, Hongkong and Kenya. Even in Germany and Austria, where Jewish markets exist no more, our foods sell well, and it seems that their being kosher — which we state — adds to their appeal," said Mr. Teltsch.

"Mediterranean appeal" has always been a big factor with North Europeans. Buyers at the Food Exhibition said openly: "Show us something Israeli that we can offer in our market." Falafel mix, for instance, has become an attraction as a spicy vegetarian cocktail snack at the social gatherings of the sophisticated. Sahlav dessert is gaining ground because of its reputation among the Orientals as an aphrodisiac. Sahlav (identical with the Hebrew word sahlav) is derived from a wild orchid which is credited for an invigorating effect and which is being imported from several neighbouring countries at great expense.

In order to circumvent the high cost of introducing its food in markets where the name of Telma Blueband is still unknown, the Haifa company enters into agreement with well known large retail chain store companies which market them as their "private brands" under their own label.

"Have a Cup of Soup"

"We have won quite a reputation in the food trade. One of our best selling items is now 'instant soup', as quick to prepare as instant coffee. One European caterer has put out the slogan 'have a cup of soup' as a snack in offices, workshops and canteens. Each bag contains one portion, and all you have to do is dissolve it in hot water, just like coffee. The latest additions to our catalogue are instant pea soup, tomato soup and borsht mixes. People like to taste something new like that. Borsht can be served hot or cold, as preferred."

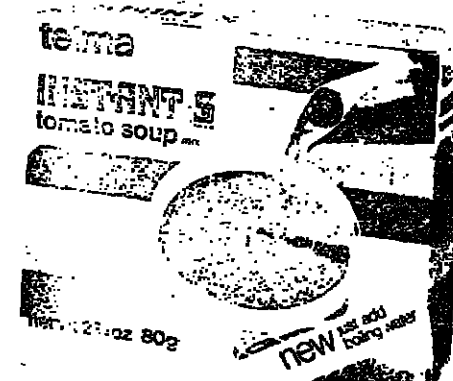
Mr. Teltsch pointed out that the food industry has a vast export potential and is also nourishing for the country's economy. "The added value in our exports is about 75 per cent — over three times that of diamonds. Obviously they deserve some encouragement."

Telma Leads At Home

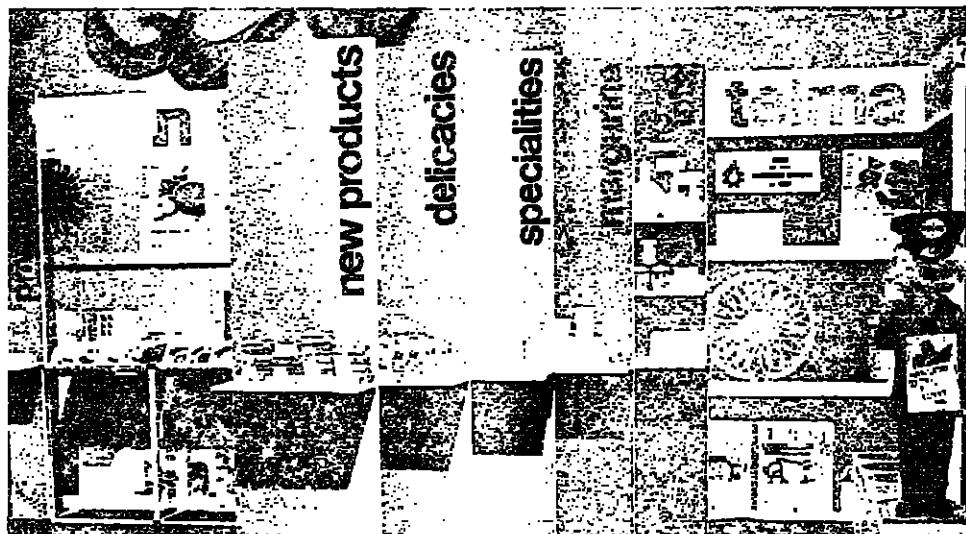
In the home market, Telma Blueband is solidly entrenched as a leading manufacturer, with 8,200 consumer outlets and an annual turnover of IL40m. (1972) with a rate of increase of 7 per cent. The sale of convenience foods is spreading fast — even among Arabs. Mr. Teltsch cites the visit to the plant of a devout Moslem, who wanted to meet

the kashrut supervisors (two are always on duty) to make sure that no pork products are used in the soups. Assured on this point, he telephoned his mother who had been worried by a sense of guilt, because she might have eaten soup made from pork. (Mr. Teltsch confirmed that some well-known foreign soups have a basis of lard.)

"One of the major problems we face in boosting exports today is packaging," said Mr. Teltsch. "Our suppliers complain that they are not allowed to increase prices as their costs go up. The mechanics of raising prices under Government control are cumbersome and the effects are a hindrance to us. Here, the Ministry of Commerce and Industry could render exporters a service by making procedures less bureaucratic. We would like to meet the challenge. In the Common Market alone there are now over two hundred million stomachs to fill. And they want to be filled every day of the year."



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Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Chaim Bar-Lev at Telma Pavilion, welcomed by the management of Telma Works.



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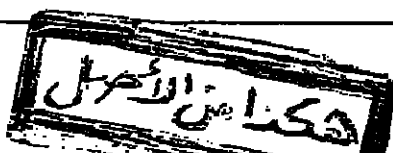
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Students absorb research of immigrants

By Lea Levavi

Do the immigrant make the overtone toward Israel or do the Israelis make the first accept the immigrant — or do they give a little so they can live?

its in the dormitory of the national High School in Netanya, all gifted children of poor mostly of Eastern origin — they want to absorb news. The very fact that says we don't want to be immigrants was what we wanted to be absorbed. But — explained when I met three in their dormitory club — the immigrants don't seem to want to be absorbed. We have Russian immigrants school and we really want them. But when I see a of them standing together, looking Russian, how can I? If we try to be friendly, medicine think it's artificial y withdraw back into their is groups."

are about 70 Russian and 2 pupils in the school, all in live with their families. ysa, Aaron Eskin, director dormitory, explained, "When s in the dormitory invited are in the evenings, many parents didn't want their children to come back to the o late. When we invited them ay evening Sabbath parties, d they couldn't come be- hey spend Friday evenings air families."

CONTINUING EFFORT

ph the sabra boys are not to give up their efforts to the Russian immigrants, they t — except for an occasional e help to a Russian classmate s is little they can do. So orted looking for immigrants wn age outside the school me across "Upanit" — a boarding school in Netanya. French-speaking immigrants ish high school, take their lation exams in French and Hebrew. A senior class of the e dormitory invited a class from Upanit to a first — which was so successful any additional joint activities an planned.

immigrants from the U- as, and their teacher, Boyble, as in the dormitory clubroom. "I teach this class Hebrew sometimes get into discussions am about any subject that a to come up. One day, they talking about Israeli teen- they complained that the Is- didn't accept them and that thought everyone who spoke was either a Zionist or t, a socialist. I tried to defend eals but since I'm no longer ager I couldn't be very con- So I decided — after I got sion from the director of our ry — to get them together asraeli youth."

FOURTH TALK

he first meeting, they com- dormitories and teachers, s from the Ort School. "When e to extend a New Zionist or, Hebrew improves, we hope e debates. Meanwhile, we'll normal discussions. Tonight, stance, we're going to talk politics."

"Everybody who hears my acent thinks I'm a Leftist age me into a political arg- But not all of us are Left- not all of us have the views."

"This is the first time we've gotten along with Israelis e. We've tried before but this first time it has worked." "I've been here two years, st year, I waited for Israelis e me to join them. By the



POST reporter Lea Levavi (right) interviewing students, in their Ort dormitory clubroom, hears their complaints that the immigrants don't always seem to want to be absorbed.

second year I decided maybe I should invite them to join me — or invite myself to join them. Both sides have to try, I think."

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THE Upanit class includes immi- grants from France, North Af- rica, Turkey and other areas.

The boys in the Ort dormitory are children with exceptionally high I.Q.s whose home environment would not offer enough educational and cultural opportunities. Though the school, with a student body of about 1,700, offers vocational training to pupils at every level, the 125 places in the dormitory are available only to those boys (who meet the other I.Q. and socio-economic criteria for a place in the dorm) in courses leading to matriculation. The three I met were studying electronics, electricity and instrumentation control. Though at least one is thinking of studying a humanities subject at the university.

The boys complained that it is hard to study five in a room, with one table and two chairs. But if you want to study — they eventually agreed — "you can always find a way."



President Salomon Shazar receives the Declaration of the Decade of Rehabilitation presented to him last week at Beit Hanassi, by an official delegation of Rehabilitation International. Seen here from right to left: the President, Mr. Norman Acton, Secretary-General, Mr. Arish Fink, Vice-President of Rehabilitation International, and Dr. E. Ohlgier, National Secretary.

Need for cosmetic labelling pushed in Washington

WASHINGTON (AP). — THE U.S. Food and Drug Administration last week proposed mandatory cosmetic ingredient labelling in an effort to reduce injuries and to push for comparison price shopping.

The nearly 1,000 U.S. manufacturers in the six billion dollars a year industry, would be required to list on the label all ingredients in their products by common or chemical name, except in the case of bank-fide trade secrets.

The proposal was made in a petition from the Consumer Federation of America and Georgetown University law professor Joseph A. Page. The F.D.A. is publishing the proposal.

The F.D.A. also is publishing its own proposal which in most cases would disallow trade secrets. An estimated 60,000 persons are injured each year by cosmetics, according to the 1970 report of the National Commission of Product Safety. The injuries range from skin eruptions and burns to loss of hair and severe allergic reactions in the eye.

The Page-Federation petition said

mandatory labelling would help consumers "avoid allergic reactions" and allow women to "vote with their pocketbook."

"Cosmetic products contain many ingredients which are common to all such products," the petition said. "Without full label disclosure of ingredients, these cosmetic products can be sold at prices higher than a fully informed marketplace would permit."

The Cosmetics, Toiletory and Fragrance Association, representing 180 firms accounting for up to 90 per

cent of U.S. production, said it supports the concept of ingredient labelling but withheld immediate comment on the F.D.A. proposal.

The petition would provide that substances designated as trade secrets could be labelled "and other ingredients."

The F.D.A. said it would not require specific label identification of flavour, colour, and fragrance. A process would be established for firms to petition for protection of trade secrets.

PEN FRIENDS

ERNEST ADAMO of 2 Fulford Crescent, Wilbury, N.Y. York, United Kingdom, would like to have Israeli penfriends in order to learn more about Israel and Jerusalem.

HORST SCHMIDT (28), of 24 Lebeck, Hattling, G. Germany, would like to correspond in German with an Israeli girl. He is interested in feminine correspondence in Israel.

ALEXANDER KENNY SORDJ (18), of Accra Training College, P.O. Box 235, Accra-North, Ghana, is training to become a teacher and would like to correspond with young Israelis between the ages of 14 and 18.

ANTHONY LANGBORN (25), of "In-termedium," Marsum-Fr., The Nether-

lands, is a music teacher who would like to correspond with an Israeli music teacher of approximately his age.

KING, MILLIE STEIN of 31 Ambleside Place, London Road, Port, Cape Town, South Africa, would like to have Israeli penfriends between the ages of 18 and 22. Her hobbies are music, book opera and knitting.

WELFRIED BARTHELT of P.O. Box 20, Hattling, West Germany, would like to correspond with an Israeli girl.

JOHN TAYLOR (25), of North West Province, P.O. Box 20, Hattling, South Africa, would like to have Israeli penfriends.

SEVEN COOK of 22 Hattling Road, Hattling-on-Sea, Sussex, England, would like to correspond with Israelis.

Abortion divides Belgium — doctor jailed

By Philippe Neuray

BRUSSELS (AP). — NOT since the war has Belgium been so divided. This time, it is not Flemings against Walloons, Catholics against non-Catholics or Socialists against non-Socialists. The current battle is over abortion.

Abortion is illegal in Belgium and can be punished by 5 to 10 years in jail.

But it is estimated there are between 50,000 and 150,000 illegal abortions taking place every year, the higher figure being close to one abortion per birth.

The controversy, which had been quietly going on for some time, broke out publicly in the press, radio and TV and in the street when a doctor was arrested in Namur three weeks ago and admitted he had performed some 350 abortions.

Only a few years ago, any little-known doctor arrested for an abortion, had to spend years in jail and was forced to hide his "crime" as much as possible if he wanted to practice medicine again.

Some well-known gynecologists had been performing abortions, mainly for wealthy women, at high prices and nothing had happened

to them. But they remained discreet.

But Dr. Willy Peers, who was arrested in Namur, looks like the hero — or martyr — or what is becoming a big case. Some of his supporters are comparing him to the famous Alfred Dreyfus whose case divided France at the turn of the century.

Dr. Peers, 48, father of four, is a professor of medicine, working on a fixed salary as head of Namur Province's official chief maternity unit, where about 2,000 births take place every year. He pioneered birth control in Belgium.

Dr. Peers started to campaign for free abortion years ago, founded with a lawyer and a newwoman, the Belgian League for Free Abortion.

He was also among the founders of a movement for a radical reform of medicine, aiming at more state control and better and cheaper medicine for everyone.

CONFIRMED ARREST

Dr. Peers was arrested Jan. 16 and has so far appeared before two preliminary courts which confirmed his arrest for a month.

The gynaecologist, who never hid the fact he was performing abortions, has admitted all the charges. The investigation started after an anonymous letter alleged he performed an abortion on a young, mentally weak woman who had been raped by her father in the village of Maffre near Dinant.

Investigators found among his private documents letters from 350 women on whom he had performed abortions.

Peers says he had to accept these women's requests, for they were in a mental, physical or social situation which would have made a birth traumatic for them, their children and family. He also said he did not do it for money, as he is paid a set salary.

Although Belgian law is tough, its enforcement over the years has become flexible and courts have almost made it a rule not to jail doctors who perform abortions by necessity, not for money.

The arrest and publicity given to this case has given rise to speculation that Dr. Peers, his friends and supporters might have forced it in the hope of changing the law.

His supporters claim he was not arrested because he had performed abortions, but because he had said so. They add that the present law only punishes poor women who can't afford to go to London or Holland for a free abortion and thus have to face the Belgian law, or have their abortion done by amateur abortionists who may hurt or kill them.

THIRD WOMAN IN TOP U.S. JOB

WASHINGTON (AP). — DR. LEE RAY has been named by President Nixon to head the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC), succeeding James R. Schlesinger.

The 50-year-old Dr. Ray is the first woman Chairman of the AEC and the third woman named by Nixon to head an independent government agency. The appointment, announced last week, does not require Senate confirmation.

It was reported last week that Dr. Ray was in line for the job, which pays an annual salary of \$42,500.

Dr. Ray began a five-year term on the AEC last August. She formerly was director of the Pacific Science Center at Fox Island, Washington, and an Associate Professor of Zoology at the University of Washington.

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JOB PROBLEMS AS NUMBER OF ACADEMICS GROWS

By AARON SEITNER

THE trouble with the bride is that she's too beautiful. The old saying haunts one as he listens to the planners at the Labour Ministry as they scan the latest batch of curricula vitae submitted by job-seekers.

Their educational profiles are so beautiful that a really ugly situation could develop in the next few years. Yes — Israel has too many academics.

Just what is an academic? I asked Yossi Sarid, director of the Government Bureau for Professionals. "Our limited definition of an academic is a person who holds a bachelor's degree plus a little more. The International Labour Organization defines him as one who has had more than 13 years' schooling."

According to Sarid, there are now about 200,000 academics by local standards and 1.25 million if you go by the I.L.O. norm. "If the current trend continues," says Sarid, "one fifth of all our workers in 1980 will be academics." Even today Israel, with 14.9 per cent of its workers in the academics category, outpaces the U.S. (13.3 per cent); Britain (9.8) and Italy (5.2).

Variables are what cause problems for planners, and the major variable these days is the number of Soviet immigrants who will arrive in any month. Close to 40 per cent of those immigrants are academics.

FACILITIES EXPAND

One third of the engineers in the Jewish Agency's absorption centres — regardless of their country of origin — report that they are unable to find jobs in their field. Meanwhile, Israel's universities continue to graduate more academics and at a growing rate as the facilities themselves are expanding.

On the other hand, the attrition rate among academics — through death and retirement — remains the same as that of the general work force: 2 per cent a year.

Can vocational counselling at an early stage of schooling help? Mr. Sarid doesn't think so. "How can you tell a secondary school pupil to drop his plan to become an engineer or a doctor? It's cruel to destroy a young person's dream of a career! What's more, you — the counsellor — may be basically wrong in your advice since conditions may very well change in five to eight years, and the pupil's job prospects in his chosen field may turn out to be very bright indeed."

Yossi Sarid's bureau was established in 1963, long before the placing of academics became a problem. One of its tasks was to advise a trial lawyer he can work for the Income and Property Tax Department, a real estate firm, the land registry, as a legal adviser in a Government Ministry or as a business executive.

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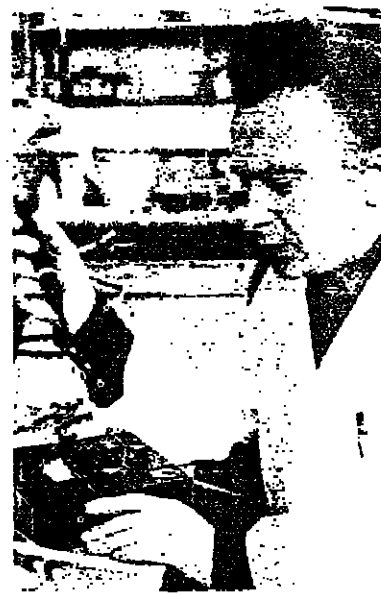
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This Soviet immigrant, Dr. Vladimir Zaslavsky, a virologist, found work at the Weizmann Institute of Science. Other academics may have greater problems finding the right job in years to come.

variables potential immigrants who were visiting Israel "to look the field over."

"Then, right after the Six Day War industry boomed and we just couldn't supply enough applicants to fill the vacancies, but now the picture is changed. Although the country as a whole is still enjoying over-employment, we have reached a point of balance between supply and demand in certain areas."

VULNERABLE CATEGORIES

What are these areas? "I would say chemical engineers and theoretical physicists are the most vulnerable categories right now. I can see no relief for those professions in the next 18 months at least. And possibilities for other academics may become equally critical in the near future."

At the moment if a chemical engineer should inquire at a Jewish Agency aliya office abroad about opportunities in Israel he will be told that he must be prepared to undergo retraining if he wants to live and work here. "Some of them give up their aliya plans right then and there; others say they are coming in spite of everything they hear."

Lawyers are another difficult group to absorb, says Sarid, and adds that a law school graduate has alternative avenues in which to utilize his training. If he cannot become a trial lawyer he can work for the Income and Property Tax Department, a real estate firm, the land registry, as a legal adviser in a Government Ministry or as a business executive.

Since Israel employers generally shy away from hiring people abroad, potential immigrants would do best to make a pilot trip here before deciding to settle, Sarid believes. Such a trip can be arranged individually, or under the auspices of the Jewish Agency's Tour

Wah Department in Tel Aviv.

Today, new immigrants — and those on pilot trips — constitute 40 per

cent of Sarid's clients. This is about the same percentage as graduates from Israel institutions of higher learning.

"It may strike you as ironical," says Sarid, "but job planning in a tiny economy such as ours is much more difficult and complex than for a massive economy. Why, the influx of a few hundred mechanical engineers can throw all your projections off balance overnight. The smaller the infrastructure the faster things change."

And what if the Russian aliya floodgates really collapse and Israel gets a massive wave of academic-immigrants? The reply: "We already have an intra-Ministry committee working on a contingency plan, and in Tel Aviv the Israel Institute of Productivity has prepared an employment plan for 200,000 academics which it has given to Labour Minister Allon. But, I believe that a mass aliya would bring its employment solution along with it; I mean new industries will be established by the immigrants, and those industries will require the services of all those academics."

Before leaving I asked Yossi Sarid a simple question: "What job advice would you offer a young person in Israel today, one who has not yet made up his or her mind about a career?"

He answered: "There are two fields I am almost certain will be promising in the next five years — nursing and teaching, all subjects and all grades."

New business enterprises

The Government's Investment Centre last month approved a total of IL119m. in business outlays — for new enterprises and expansion of existing ones.

According to the Centre's monthly report, the sum is IL173m. less than in January 1972.

An investment project given "approved" status by the Centre qualifies for certain benefits under the Law for the Encouragement of Capital Investment. Among those benefits are the right of repatriation of foreign currency (in the case of overseas investors), income tax concessions, exclusion from estate duties and deferment of fees and taxes in connection with the establishment of the business.

Three-year plan for fruit processing firm

TEL AVIV. — Hevrat Vitur Upitah Ltd., announced last week that its two fruit and vegetable processing plants, Deco at Kibbutz Bror Hayil, and Pri Hagallil at Hatzor, will double their output by 1975.

The two plants now process 30,000 tons of fruits and vegetables. Seven thousand tons are for canning while the rest are dried.

According to the firm's three-year plan, output in 1975 will reach 60,000 tons.

Almost 75 per cent of the two plants' output is exported. Last year, the two plants' exports amounted to \$2.5m.

What the latest financial crisis is all about

By WILLIAM F. WRIGHT

LONDON (UPI). — The world's new monetary crisis has its roots in the little New Hampshire resort of Bretton Woods. There in 1944 economists from 47 countries devised a new international money system anchored to the American dollar.

Few Americans then realized the anchor would become a millstone around Uncle Sam's neck. The U.S., then the only financial super power as World War II neared its end, agreed to redeem dollars at home and abroad for gold at \$35 an ounce, giving birth to the cliché, "The dollar is as good as gold."

Today, to the consternation of Americans living and travelling abroad, the dollar is no longer backed by gold or prized by Europeans and Asians as it once was, and the world monetary system is growing nearer to disarray.

But what few Americans realize is that a black day for the dollar abroad is a red-letter day for America's export drive.

FINANCING WARS

After the war, dollars continued to flow abroad to provide aid to war-ravaged countries, to buy foreign goods and services and to finance the Korean and Vietnam wars. Free-spending American tourists added to the deluge.

OIL COLONIALISM

IN the early years after World War II high hopes were entertained for the African continent, which began to emerge from its long slumber to make a determined bid for independence. A wind of change was blowing across the continent, it was said, and the African personality would at long last have a chance of coming into its own.

Independence came, not always smoothly, and the departing colonial powers did not do all they might have done to smooth the transition period. It might in justice be said that this was not necessarily a matter of ill will, but of the difficulty of knowing what should be done, and in some cases sheer fear of uprisings, as when the Belgian government pulled so hurriedly out of the Congo as to leave behind total chaos.

The intervening years have seen many coups and counter-coups, much progress, much hard work and devoted leadership, and also some gross excesses of the personality cult. A great deal of Ghana's initial rapid progress was for a period swallowed up by the posturing and extravagances of Kwame Nkrumah, and it took his country some time to return to normality after he was successfully and bloodlessly deposed during a visit abroad.

There can no longer be much doubt that Uganda has found itself saddled with a similar personality in its President Idi Amin, who turned out not only the whites in Uganda, but with an extraordinary callousness also drove out 50,000 or more locally-born Asians who had made up the backbone of the country's professional and technical classes.

The Ugandan economy has been almost paralysed because the distribution of goods, and also imports and exports, had been mainly in the hands of Asians, who were expelled without any attempt being made to train black Ugandans to take over their jobs. The education and health systems have almost collapsed, there are acute food shortages and a lack of the simplest spare parts for machinery of all kinds, so that transport has been reduced to a crawl.

With bread hard to get, Idi Amin has taken to the ancient device of providing circuses instead, and the once pleasant small capital city of Kampala has been treated to the public execution of a robber, for which a holiday crowd of many thousands gathered, bringing the children and fighting for a place with a good view. This free entertainment is no more than the continuation of the summary execution of suspected anti-government rebels, and the disappearance of a number of prominent Ugandans, including a judge.

The immediate future does not look happy for Uganda. It is worth recalling that the first of Idi Amin's sudden and irrational actions, the dismissal of an Israeli mission there, was carried out largely at the behest of President Gaddafi of Libya, and following his financial aid. He now admits to "persuading" other African countries to break off relations with Israel, although these had previously been mutually useful and profitable. Much oil may still flow through the pipes of Libya before Africa realizes that Gaddafi's oil colonialism is at least as destructive of their interests as was the different colonialism of an earlier day.

POST correspondent
David Lennon discusses
the turmoil that is
Ireland today, and
considers the conflicting
interests of the
protagonists.



Irish Republic Prime Minister Jack Lynch... the master political tactician.
(Camera Press)



Belfast... no halt in the fighting.

(Camera Press)

CRUCIAL DECISIONS FOR THE IRISH

LONDON. — Northern Ireland's civil war has been hotting up as several events crucial to its future draw near.

In the Republic of Ireland the reaction to those forthcoming events has been a decision to call a snap general election. Early in March, a referendum will be held in Northern Ireland asking the voters whether they favour retention of the border separating them from the Republic. This will be followed a month later by the publication of a British Government White Paper setting out Britain's future policy for the stricken province.

However, the events of the past two weeks in Ulster, it is generally believed, have shown the sudden spate of sectarian killings does not mark a new departure in the warfare, but is rather one of those spasms which from time to time mark the record of continuing bloodshed. What these particular killings did do, however, was to underline that Northern Ireland is in a civil war situation. The British Army acts only as a police force, and one that is barely able to contain the level of "crime," let alone being able to reduce it.

In fact, even more trouble is expected once the British policy paper is published, and this is one of the reasons why Irish Republic Prime Minister Jack Lynch decided to call an election for this month, rather than wait until the end of his term, next year.

"I am asking for a clear and decisive mandate to speak and act for the Irish people in a period when the decisions to be taken could irreversibly change the whole course of our future history," Lynch declared when he announced the snap election.

For more than a year the Prime Minister has been leading what amounts to a minority administration. His Fianna Fail party won 75 of the 144 Dail (parliament) seats in the 1969 election, but his parliamentary majority has been eroded by the defection or expulsion of hardliners over Northern Ireland. Fianna Fail has been reduced to 69 seats during the past year and has had to rely on the backing of independents. None the less Lynch demonstrated on numerous occasions his ability to read the will of the nation successfully.

He won a massive "yes" vote on the EEC

entry referendum; he has cracked down on IRA leaders and met only tiny opposition in doing so; he has even won a recent by-election. It is clear that he could possibly have continued the life of this parliament for the 15 months it had to run.

However, in addition to all the arguments to and fro over the future developments in the North, there were also tactical considerations, and Jack Lynch has shown himself the master political tactician. His deceptive defiance has led many an opponent to show his hand in the belief that "honest Jack" would crumble away, only to find himself sitting on his backside outside the corridors of power before he had time to realize what happened to him.

His timing of this snap election has caught the two main opposition parties on the wrong foot. They have been tentatively seeking ways of forming a coalition, but this process had not advanced very far. As soon as the election was announced, the opposition Fine Gael and Labour parties announced a coalition arrangement whereby they will share power if they win a majority in the elections.

Hasty marriage

Mr. Lynch will be able to brand this as a hasty marriage of convenience which will hardly stand up to the rigorous months ahead. His move has also come just before an opposition motion was likely to be elected to the presidency at the end of the second term of office of Ireland's living legend, Eamonn de Valera, the former independence fighter, and long-time Prime Minister.

Lynch has also decided that the anger which he will arouse among the 18 to 21-year-olds in the nation who were due to get the vote in April is worth incurring, rather than risk their votes, which would probably go heavily against his party.

The rapprochement between the Fine Gael and Labour parties has now been turned into an electoral pact based on attack on the rampant inflation and unemployment which rules the land today. However, the key to the elections probably lies in the Northern Ireland issue, and here Lynch has a clear head

start as the leader who has preserved stability in the Republic during the four years of unprecedented turmoil in the North.

Working against Lynch is the fact that his party has held power uninterrupted for the past 16 years, and the electorate might feel that they are prepared to take a chance on the behaviour of a coalition government in handling the Northern Ireland issue in order to get change.

Now that the two opposition parties have signed an abject hurried agreement, the voters know that they are being offered a real alternative. The last time these two parties made such a pact, in 1954, they won the election. The results of the election on February 28 will lie between the voters' desire for change and Jack Lynch's successful record, plus the proven power of the highly-oiled political machine of his Fianna Fail party.

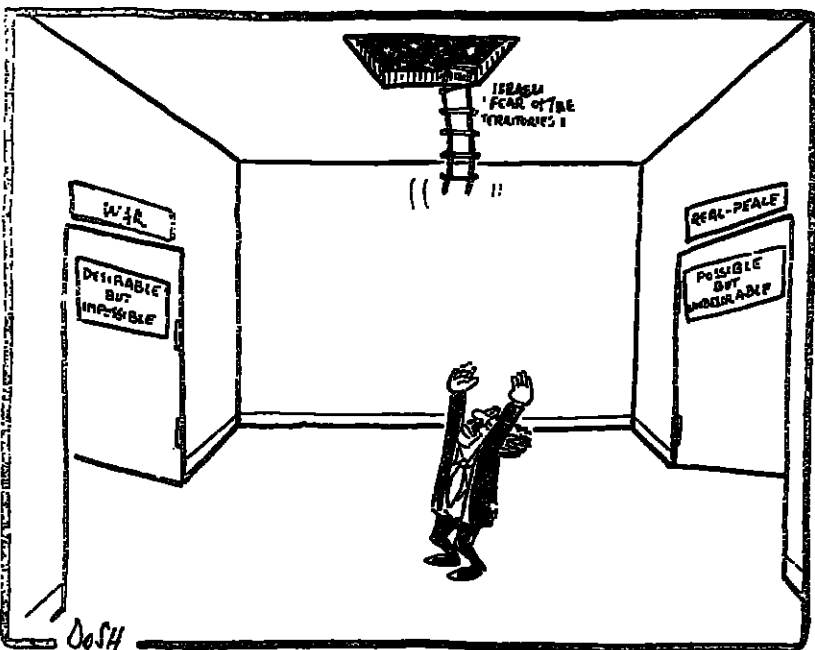
The turmoil of the North will spill over into the elections on another front, too, with the political wing of the IRA likely to run candidates who could siphon off enough seats to make it a factor in the new Dail.

Meanwhile the situation in the North shows no signs of improving. The border referendum will result in a predictable majority in favour of retaining the border, as the Protestants who support it constitute over 60 per cent of the population, and the minority Catholics are likely to boycott the vote.

All the Protestant leaders have displayed a total unwavering insistence on their desire to remain a part of the United Kingdom, and insistence on the reinstatement of their local parliament at Stormont. They will settle for nothing less. Their power was simply demonstrated last week when a general strike of Protestants called to protest against the detention of two Protestants suspected of murdering a Catholic workman led to a 100 per cent shutdown.

There are indeed crucial times ahead, and whatever policy paper the British produce, it is unlikely to be palatable to both sides. The Republic of Ireland will need a strong government to handle this situation, whether it decides to support the provisions of the White Paper or to reject them.

SADAT: THERE MIGHT BE A MIRACLE!



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ISRAEL PRESS

Talk of a settlement

Against the background of King Hussein's visit to Washington and the visit of Hafez Ismail, President Sadat's adviser, to Moscow, the press considers the possibility of a Middle East peace settlement, as well as whether it would be possible to reach a settlement with Jordan before Egypt.

Al Hamishmar (Mapam), insisting that the importance of King Hussein's declarations in the U.S. should not be totally downgraded, writes: "While it is true that Egypt is the principal Arab party to the conflict, and without agreement with Cairo there will be no peace, in a state of absolute stalemate an attempt to reach a settlement with Jordan must not be precluded. Moreover, the very attempt to reach such a settlement might break

the ice on the Egyptian front, prompting Cairo to greater flexibility."

Davar (Histadrut), on Mr. Hafez Ismail's meeting in Moscow with Dr. Jarring, comments: "The visit to Moscow of the Egyptian President's adviser demonstrates the lack of a sense of reality of the Arab rulers who are trying to revive Security Council Resolution 242 with its Egyptian interpretation."

Omer (Histadrut): "Mr. Ismail has travelled to Moscow in order to create the impression that something is brewing. His meeting with Dr. Jarring, however, stressed the lack of practicality in the discussions held by the Egyptians, in that they are not prepared for a realistic settlement with Israel."

FOREIGN PRESS

'Neither Cairo nor Jerusalem ready to make concessions'

Washington and Moscow are looking for a Middle East peace formula now that the Vietnam cease-fire has been concluded, but neither Cairo nor Jerusalem appear ready to make concessions at present, the French newspaper Le Monde said Friday. In an editorial the paper said: "It is more improbable that Israeli leaders will change their attitude since the election campaign for the legislative election next autumn has virtually started. The moderates are putting a damper on their conciliatory opinion in order not to open themselves up to attacks of their adversaries who have faithfully acted to convince public opinion that the security of the Jewish State, and even its survival, depends on the annexation of certain occupied territories."

"Taking into account these and other factors of equal complexity, the majority of observers in Washington, Jerusalem, Cairo and Amman are expressing their scepticism as to the chances of a settlement in the coming months in the Near East."

The New York Times on Dr. Henry Kissinger's trip to Asia: "The current Asian journey of Henry Kissinger will lay the groundwork for the coming of the U.S. in Indo-China and its relations with the emerging powers across the Pacific. In signalling just how low will be the American profile in post-war Asia, Dr. Kissinger's nuances will be as important as his overview, and his hosts in Hanoi, Peking and Moscow are not exactly novices in sensing nuance."

These governments should be assured from the start that the U.S. will accept, in conjunction with other developed nations, responsibility for post-war rehabilitation and continuing economic development in a battle-scarred zone of the world."

MAKING A FRIEND OF YOUR ENEMY

BY
MOSHE KOHN

JUDAISM has long been criticized for what Christians have seen as its emphasis on dry, impersonal legalism to the exclusion of love and what some Jews, too — Orthodox Jews among them — see as an undue emphasis on the act of observance of halacha (law) and mitzvot (commandments) to the exclusion of kavvana (the intention, or the heart and soul one is supposed to put into one's observance).

Christianity professes faith and love as its cardinal tenets, reducing the entire Law to one commandment: "Love thy neighbour as thyself" — which, of course, is from the Bible, in Leviticus 19:18 — and even going on to say: "Love thine enemy." Around the time that Christianity was beginning to spread, the great talmudic Sage, Rabbi Akiva, said: "Love thy neighbour as thyself — this is a great principle of the Torah."

Somewhat earlier, Hillel gave his famous reply to the heathen who asked him to teach him the entire Torah "at regal chad" — "on one foot" or "according to one principle." Hillel said: "What is hateful to you do not do to your fellow human being: this is the entire Torah. The rest is elaboration — go and learn it." (According to the story, the heathen did so and converted to Judaism.)

Well, I don't know exactly how to love mine enemy — much less how to love my neighbour as myself. And I can imagine to what furies of hatred and violence I would be driven by futile efforts to do so: we all know of those honest, otherwise gentle Christians among the Crusaders, Inquisitioners and Conquistadores of various sorts who slew Jews, Saracens, Redmen, Blackmen and all the other varieties of Infidels not out of hate or out of desire for conquest and loot, but out of love and compassion for the otherwise doomed immortal souls of their victims.

Hillel's injunction, on the other hand, while also difficult to carry out, seems more within my reach. Through it I may one day attain to the heights implicit in Leviticus 19:18. Meanwhile, it doesn't really matter if I do not. Meanwhile, I will be trying to restrain myself from running my fellow man through with a sword,

ramming him with my elbow when the bus pulls in and opens its doors, and perhaps even from running my radio at full blast at midnight or any other hour of the day.

Then there is the little comment by Rabbi Alexandri, a third century talmudic Sage of Lydda in the Midrash Tanhuma on Exodus 23:5 (included in the Tora portion read on Saturday, February 3), which contains one of the 613 Commandments: "When you see your enemy's ass lying helpless under its load, however unwilling you may be to help, you must give him a hand with it." The Midrash Tanhuma tells us:

Rabbi Alexandri said: Two ass-drivers who are enemies are leading their pack-animals along the road. One of the asses suddenly collapses under the weight of the load it is carrying. The other ass-driver, passing just then, thinks to himself: "Now doesn't the Tora command: 'When you see your enemy's ass lying helpless under its load... you must give him a hand with it.' And he proceeds to help the ass-driver who is in trouble. As they work together on the ass and its load they say to each other, 'Shift it a bit here,' 'Raise it a bit there,' and so on, until together they have got the ass back up on its feet. What happens in the process is that the two enemies make peace with each other. For

the ass-driver who was in trouble thinks to himself: 'You'd think he is my enemy: look how he felt sorry seeing me and my ass in trouble.' Next thing you know, the two of them stop off at a wayside inn to share a bite and a drink, and they make up and become friends.

All this came to mind when, just a few days after I heard Exodus 23:5 read in the synagogue, the following news item appeared in The Jerusalem Post:

Motorist kills himself because no one stopped

GREEN RIVER, Wyoming (AP). — A 25-year-old man killed himself after leaving a note saying his car stalled in frigid weather and no motorist would stop to help him, police say.

The note, which was found on the road, said: "I can't stand the cold any longer and they just keep passing by."

Highway patrolman Darrell J. Zipp said he found the body of the motorist early on Sunday. He said the car was out of gas and in the parking lane of the highway.

Sheriff John Zerkovich said the motorist shot himself in the head with a 22-caliber pistol.

I think that, in general, roads are excellent and maintained, and that the traffic and road signs are superb. Statistics indicate that the people killed on the roads are pedestrians, and to a large measure, by their own fault. Frequently seen old people road without even a handbrake, and small children stroll across the road, with no idea of how that car can come upon them so fast. Is there no way people to wear some sort of coloured clothing when they are on a dark road, so that heaven's name, should a bicycle have a strip of reflective tape front and back?

Avihayil, February 1

RESEARCH CIGARETTE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post:

Sir, — As an ex-smoker, constantly aware of the danger to cancer. Even though I was never a smoker, I was never able to see a cigarette in David's hand in the photo in the Jerusalem Post of January 10.

Mrs. SOPHIE

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